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## LETTER TO THE OFFICIAL DRAFTSPERSON

Dear Sir:

In connection with Request for Continued Examination, filed herewith in the above-identified application, enclosed are 31 sheets of formal drawings, including changes made by Drawing Amendment. Applicant respectfully requests approval.

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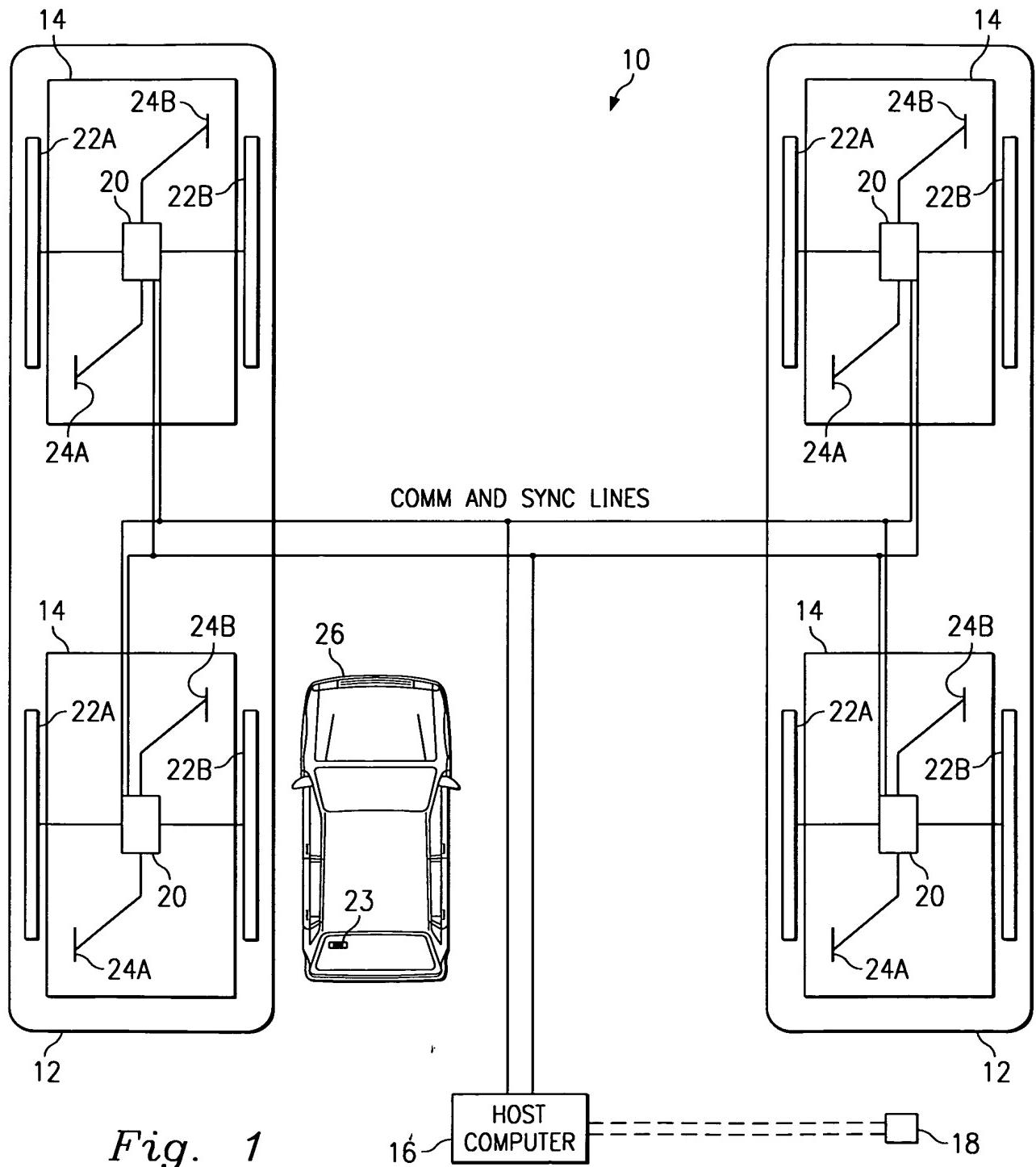


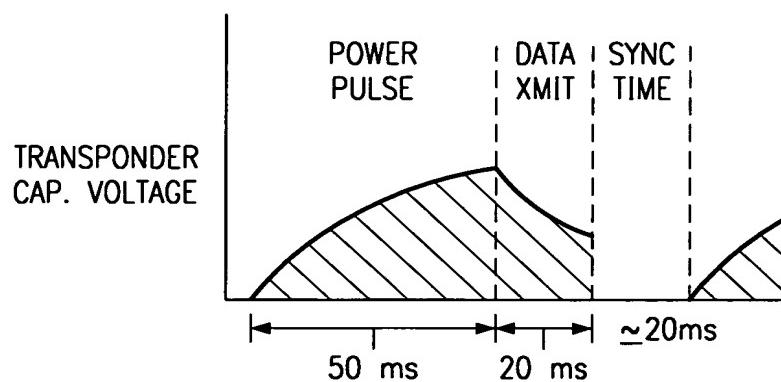
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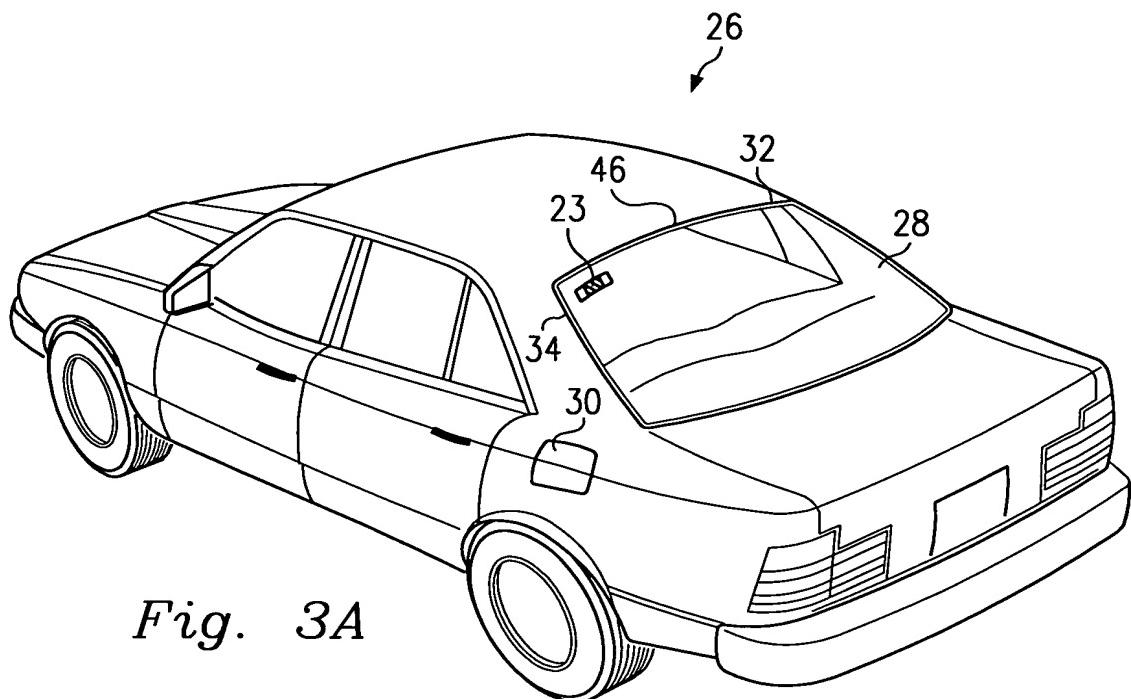
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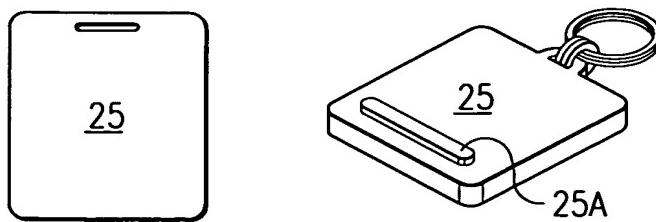


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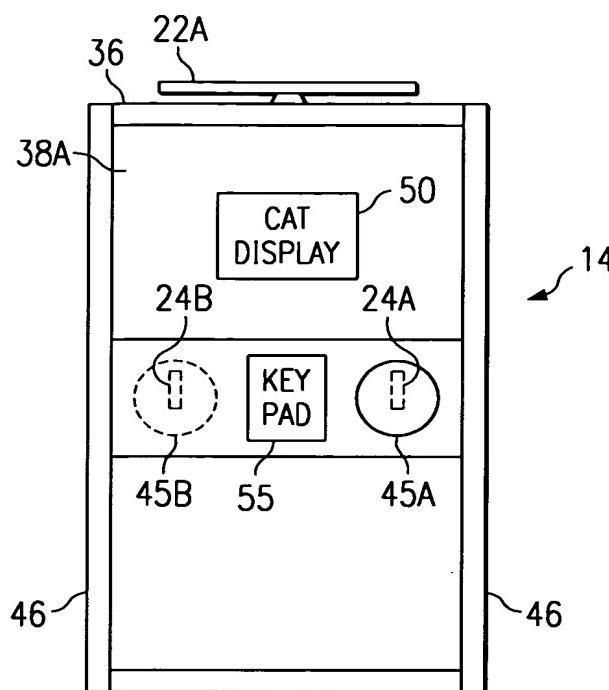
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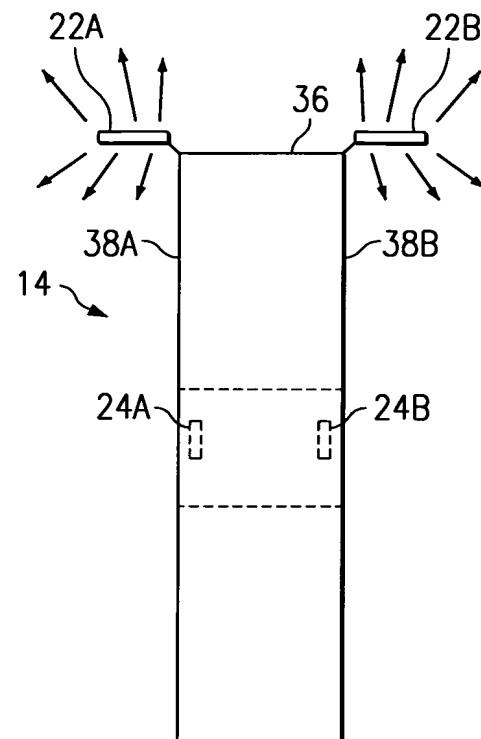
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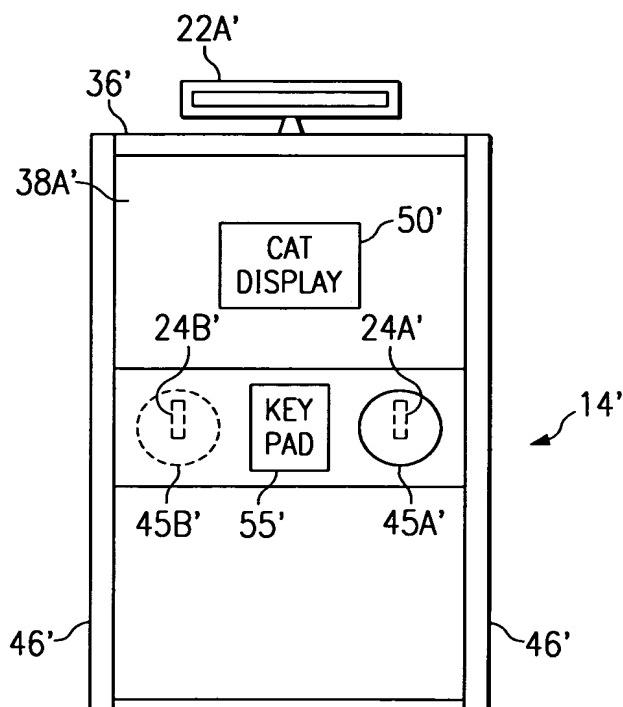
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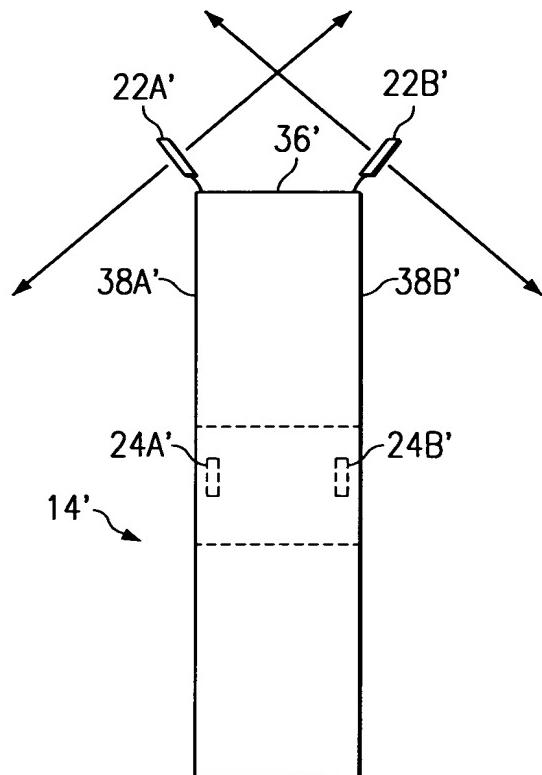
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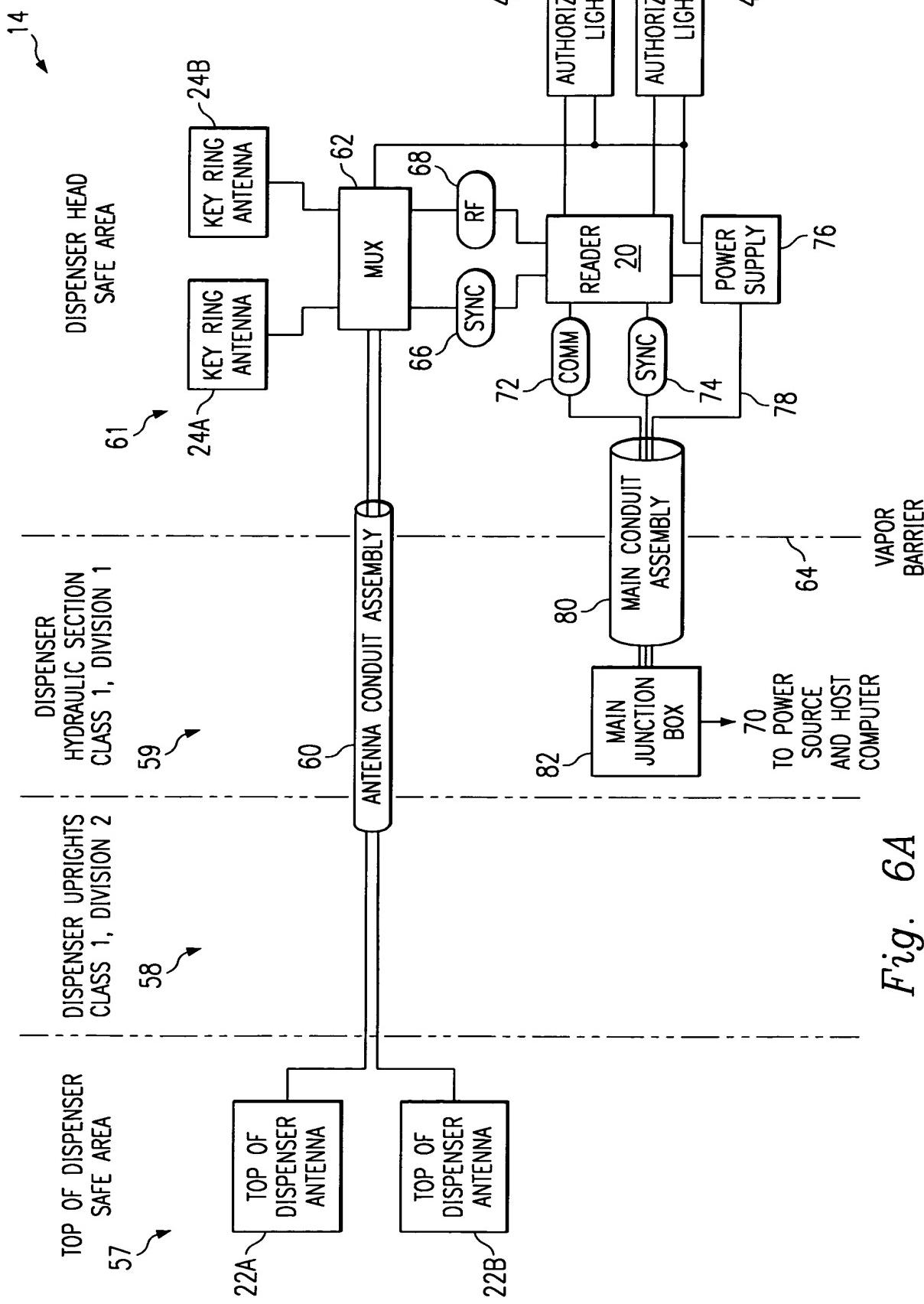
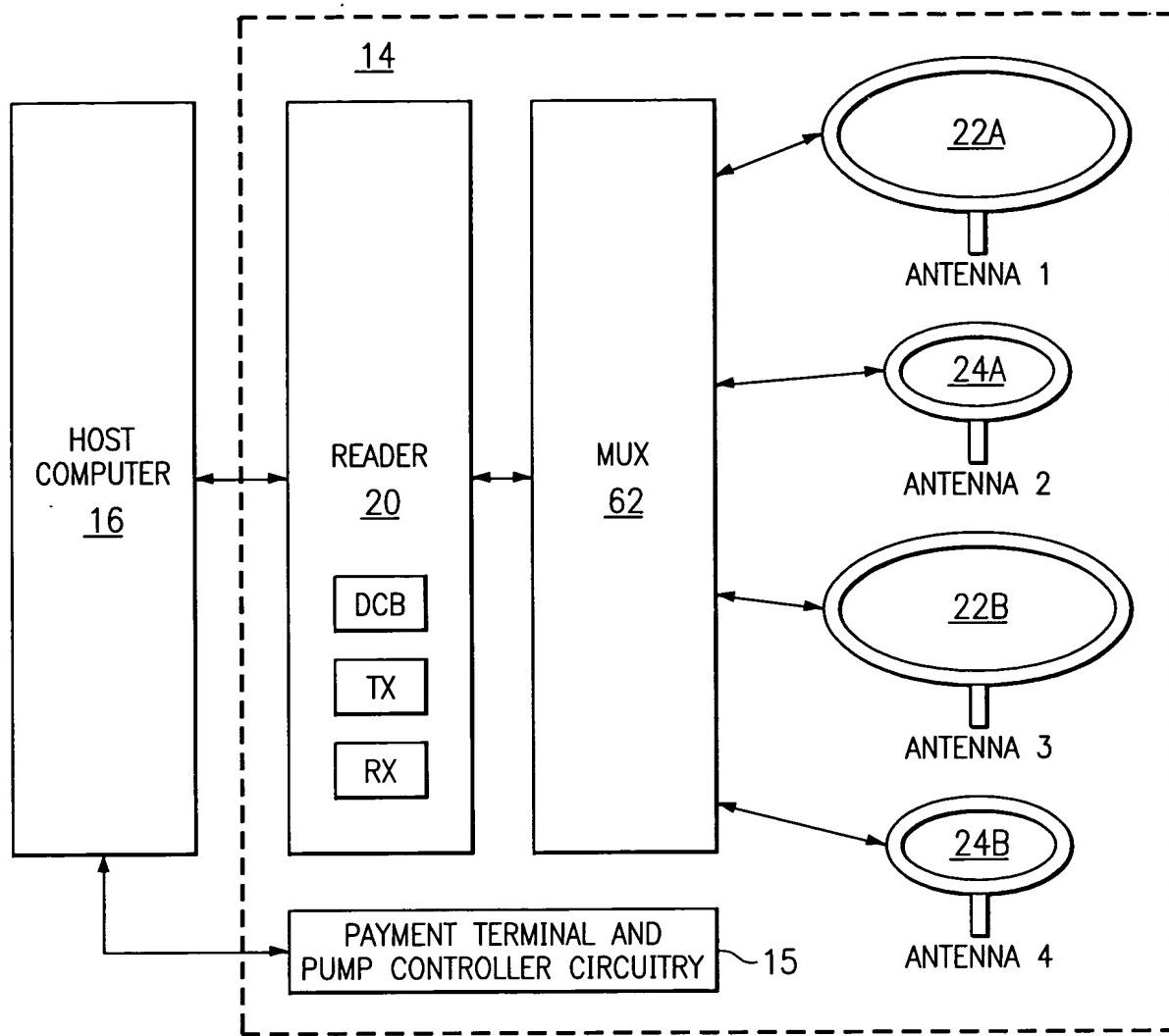


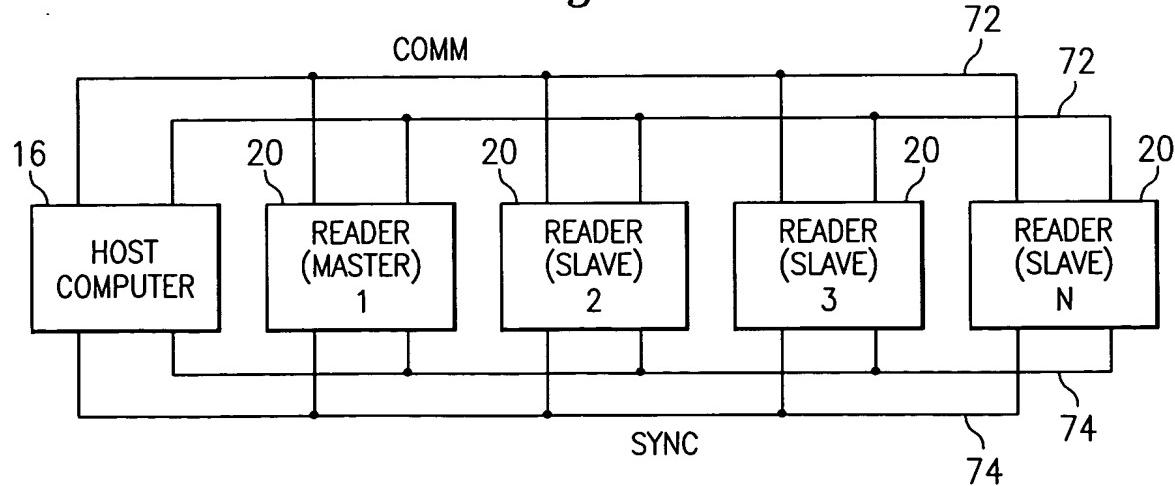
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*Fig. 6B*



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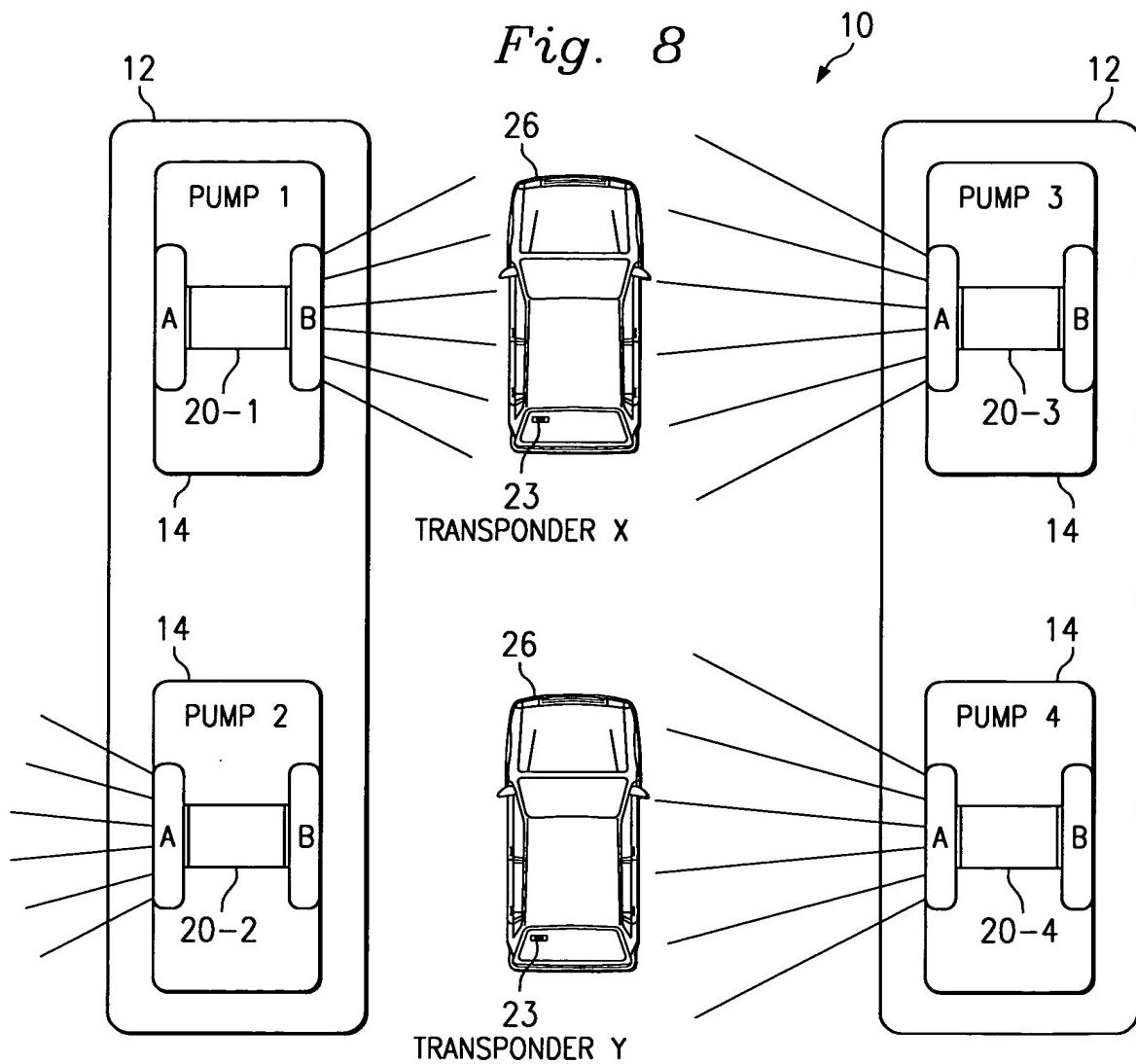


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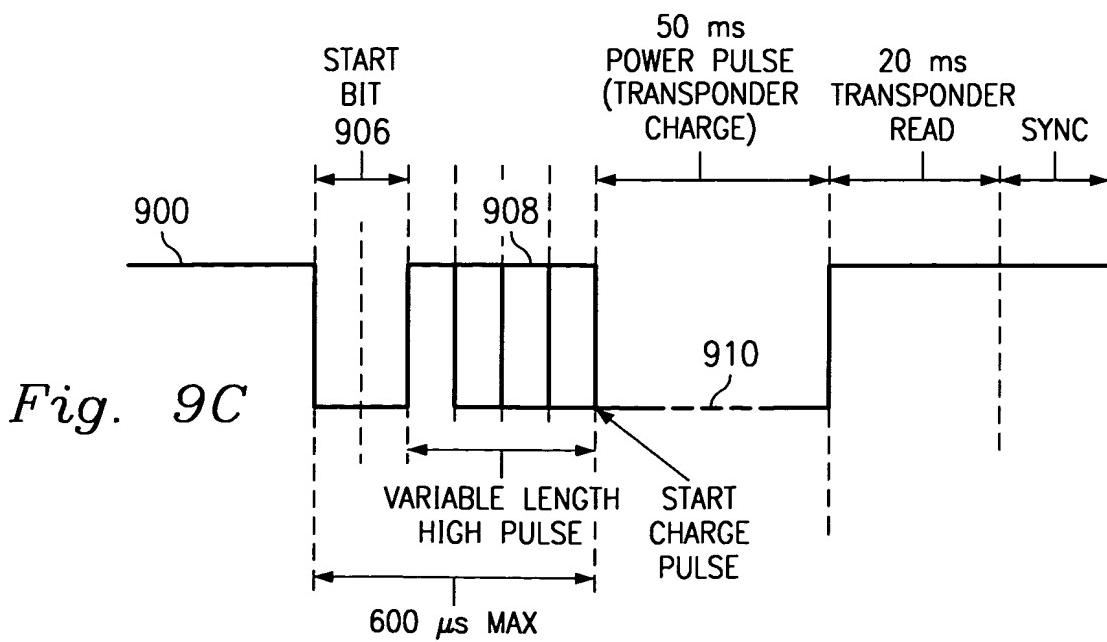
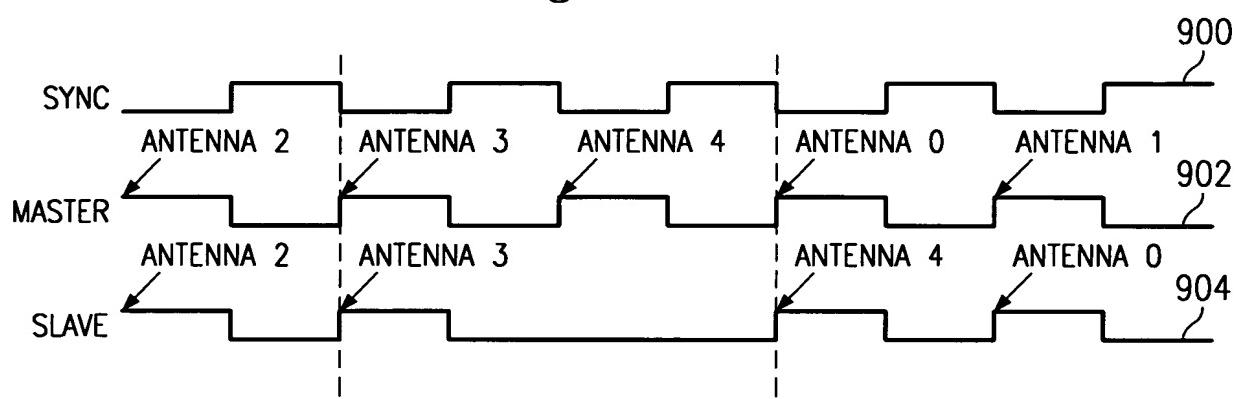
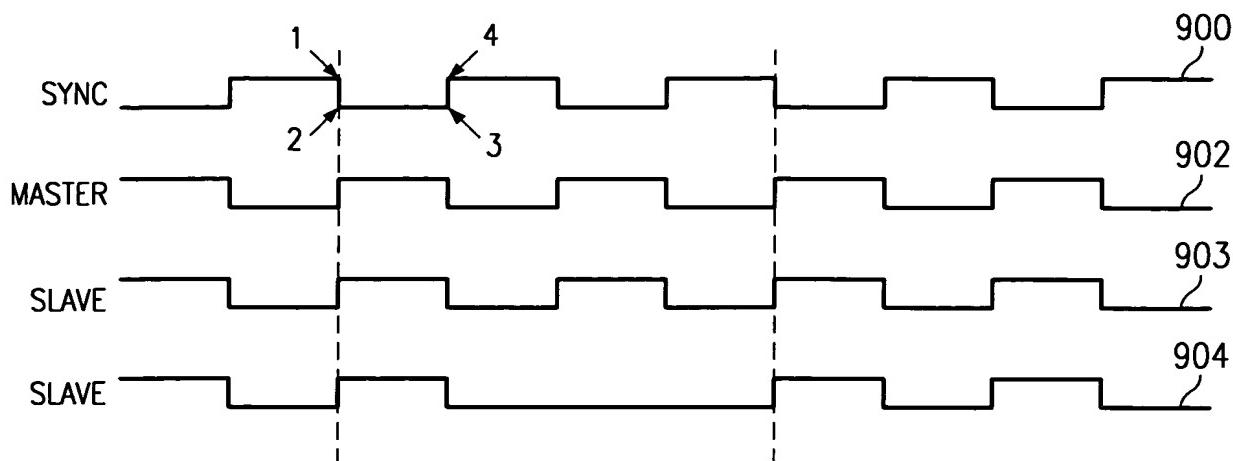
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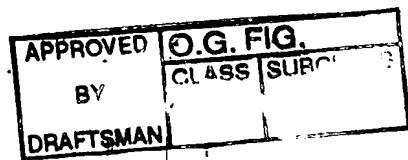
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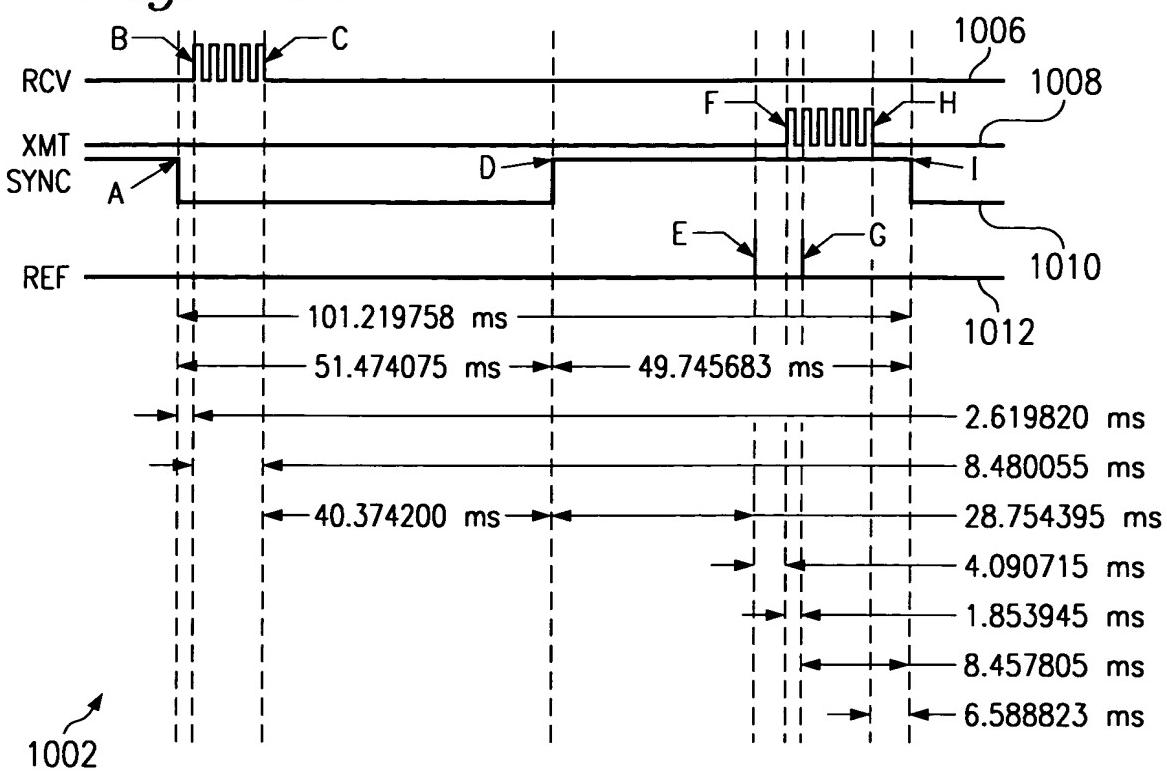




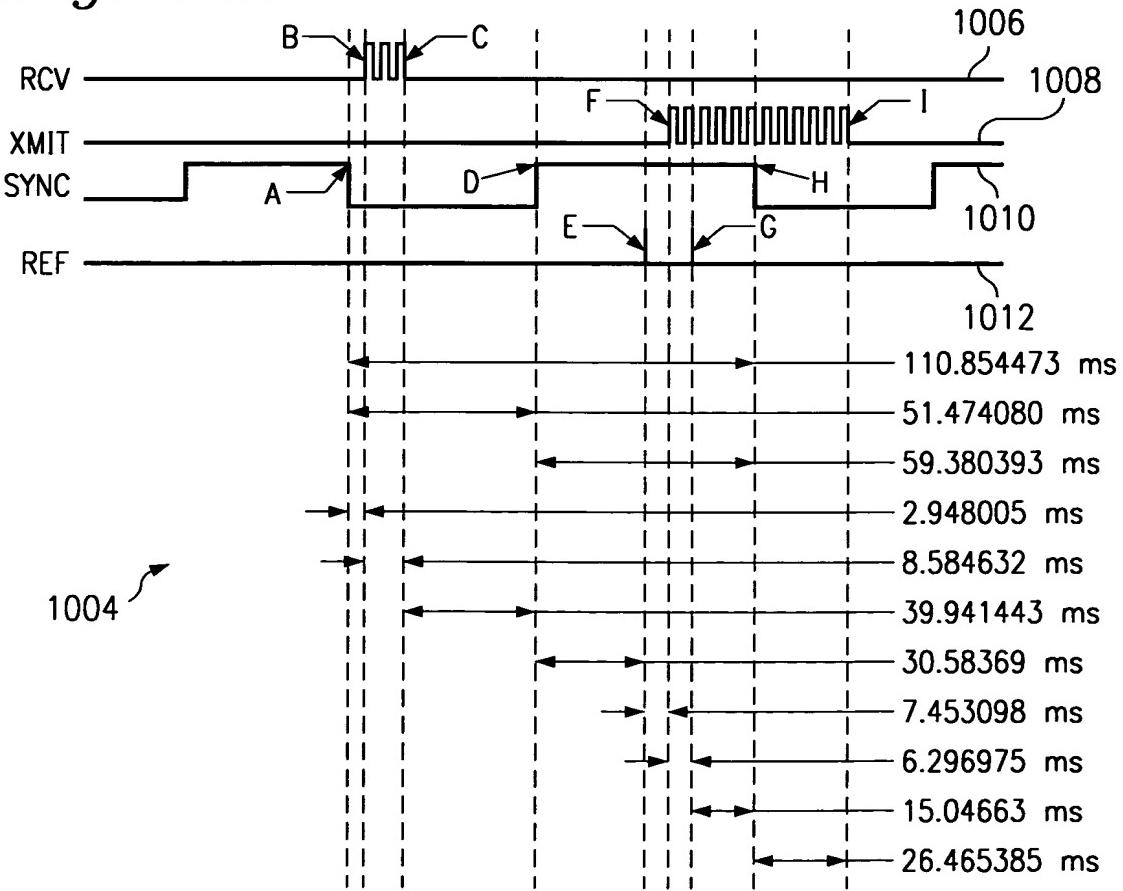
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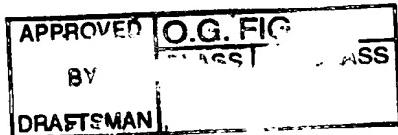
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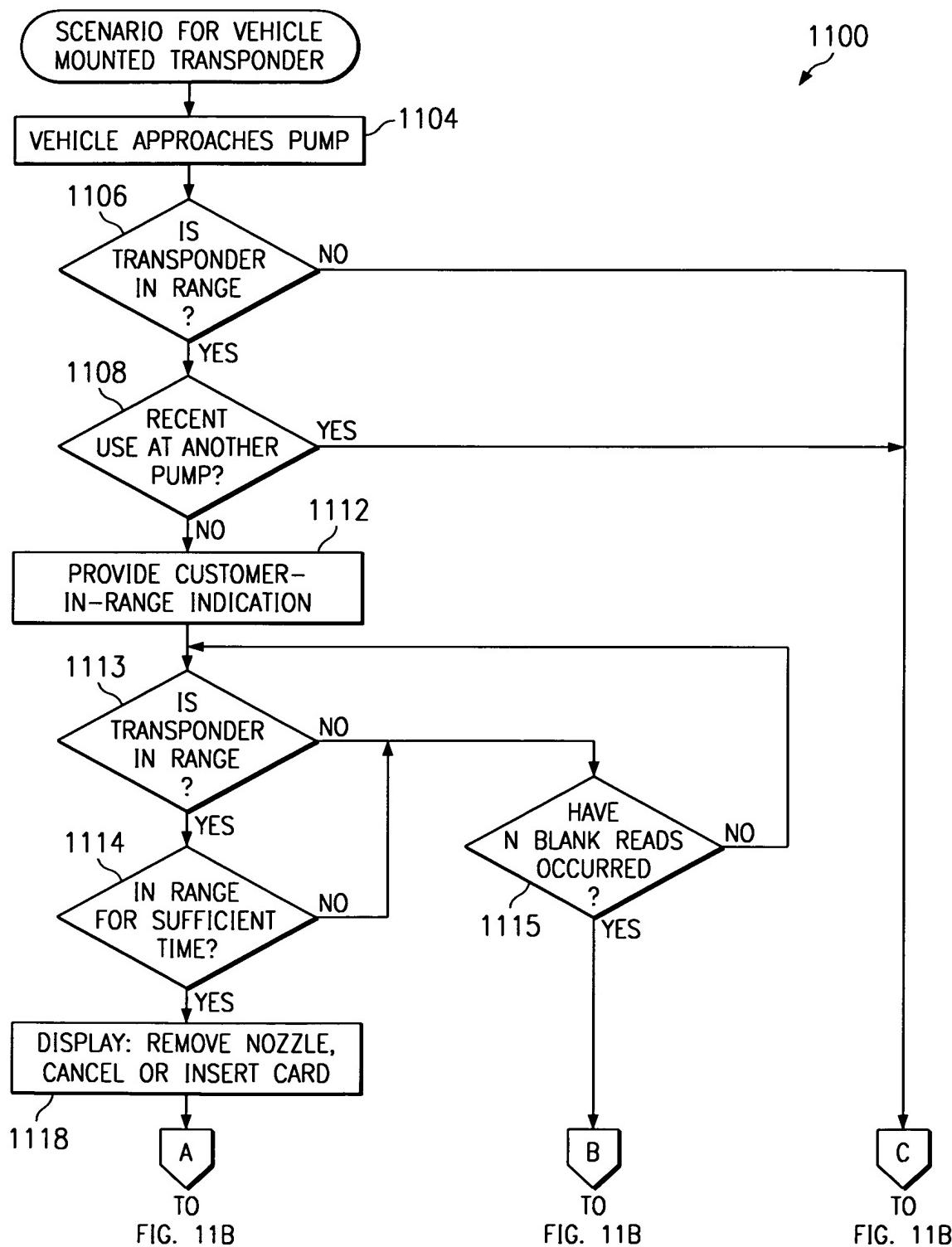




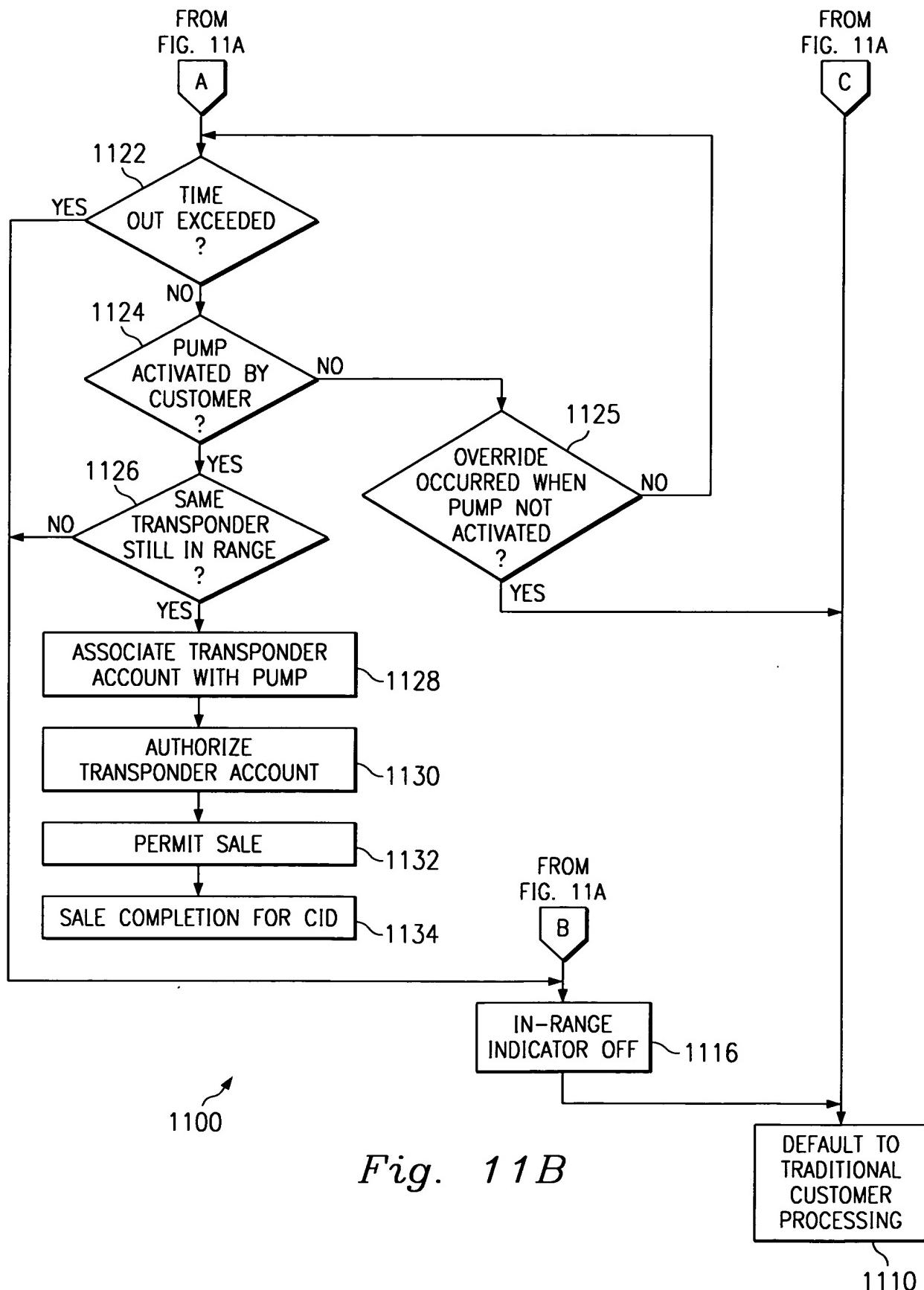
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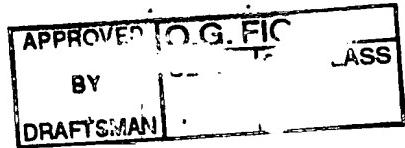
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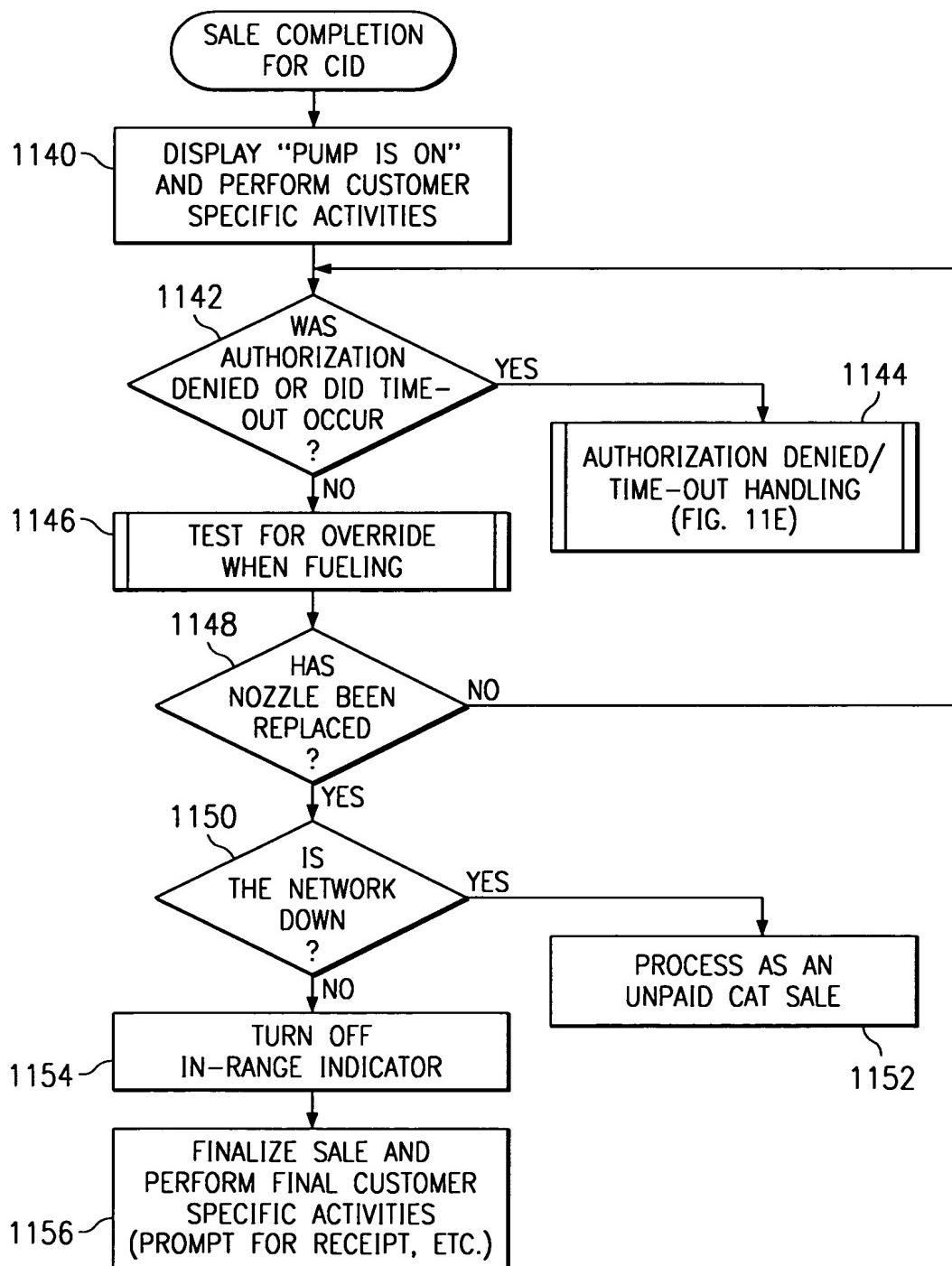


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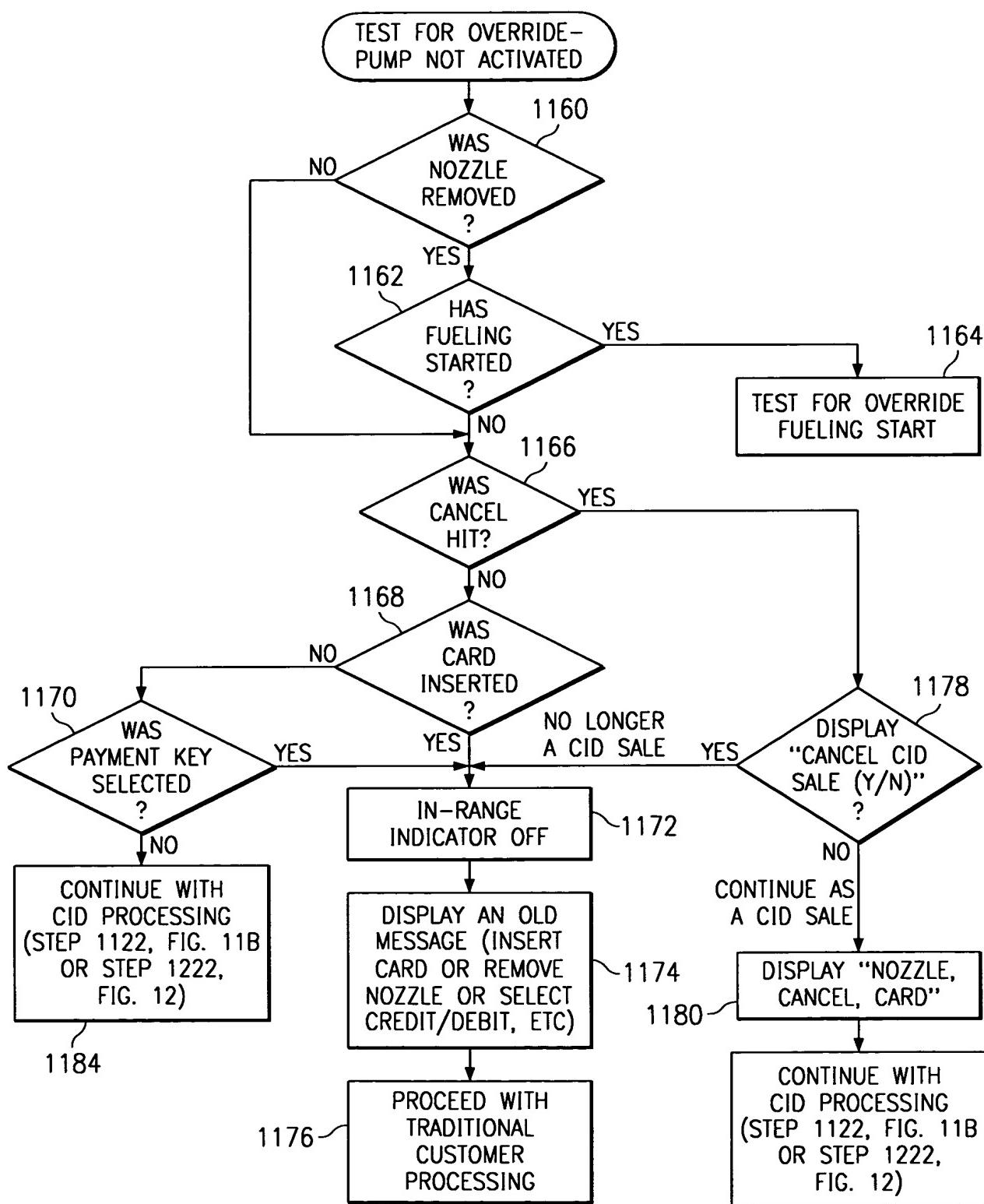
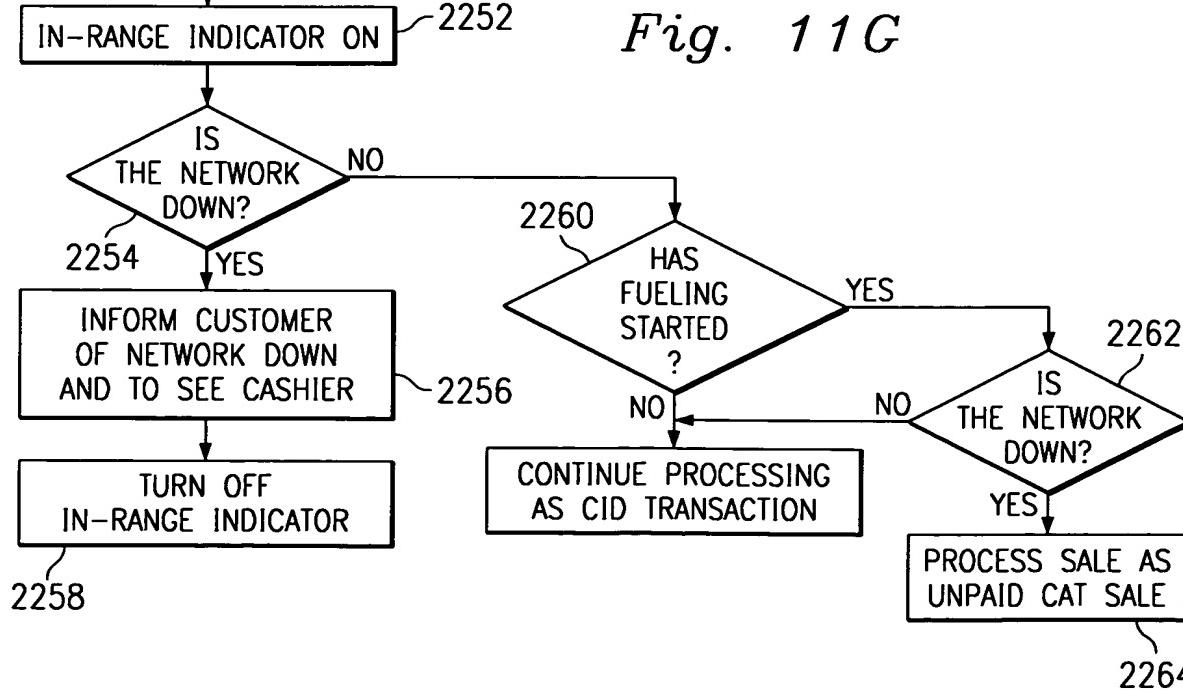
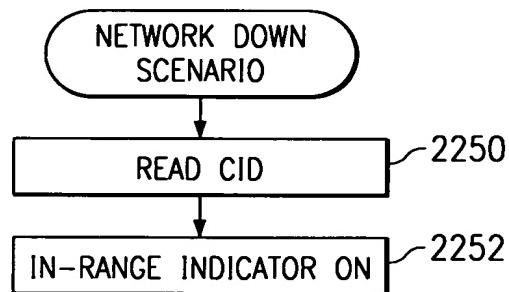
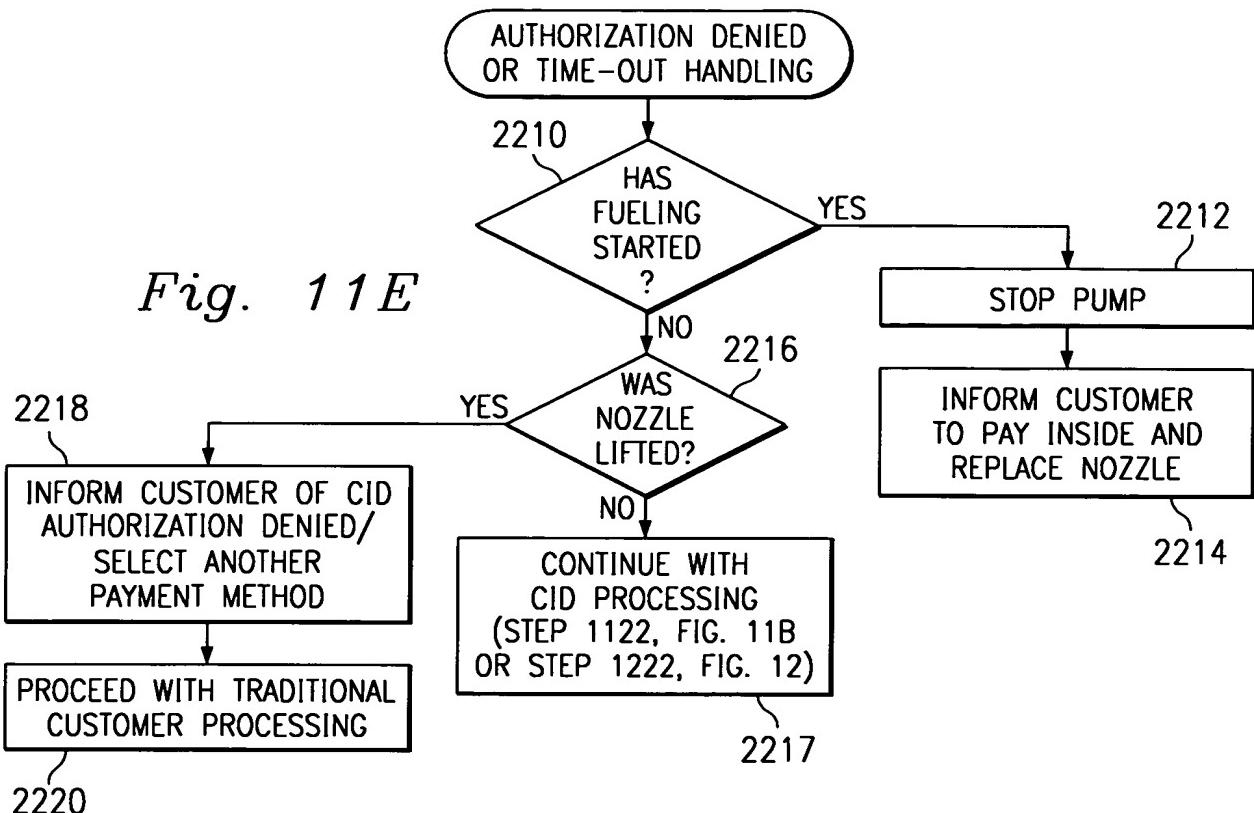


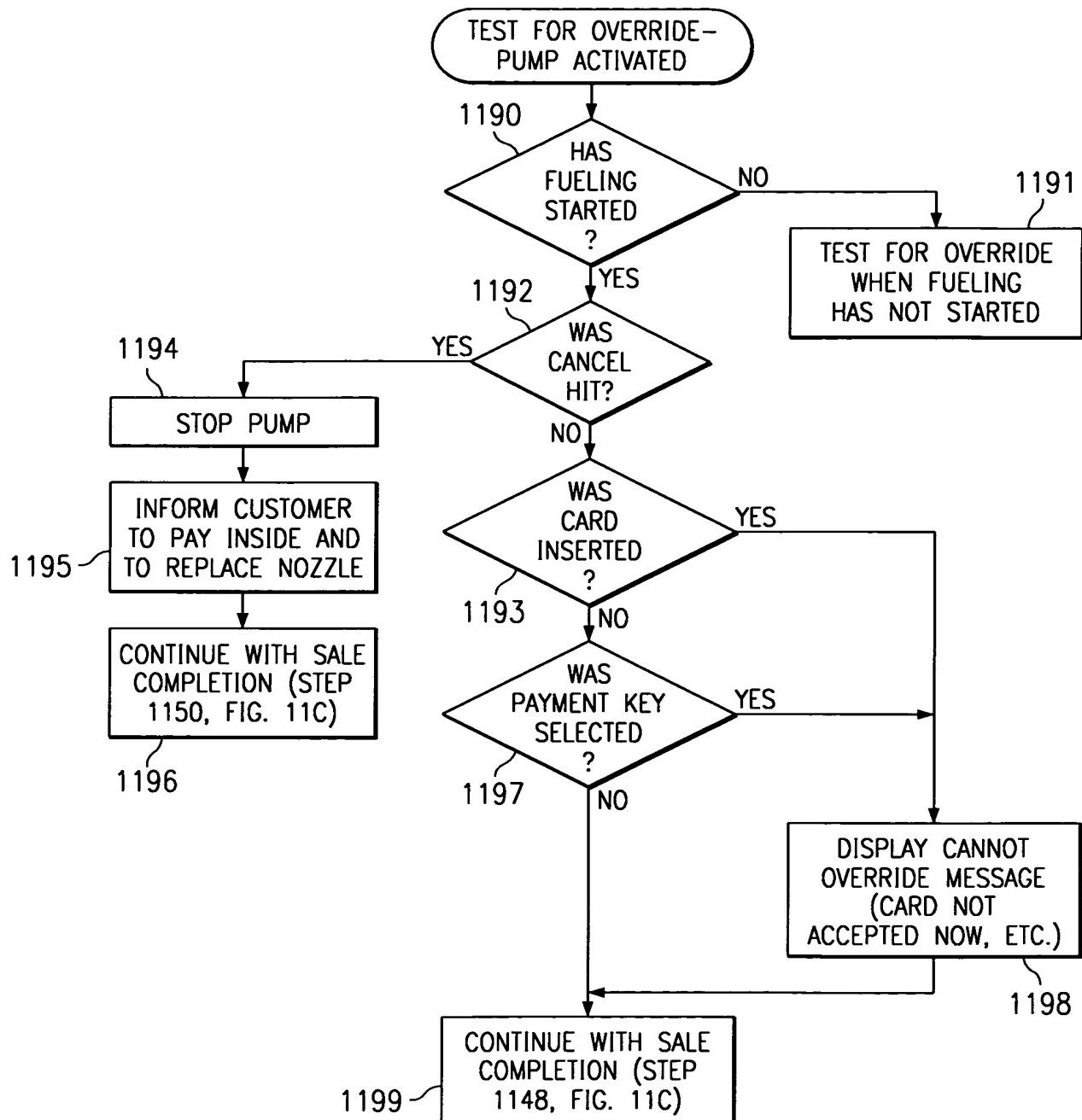
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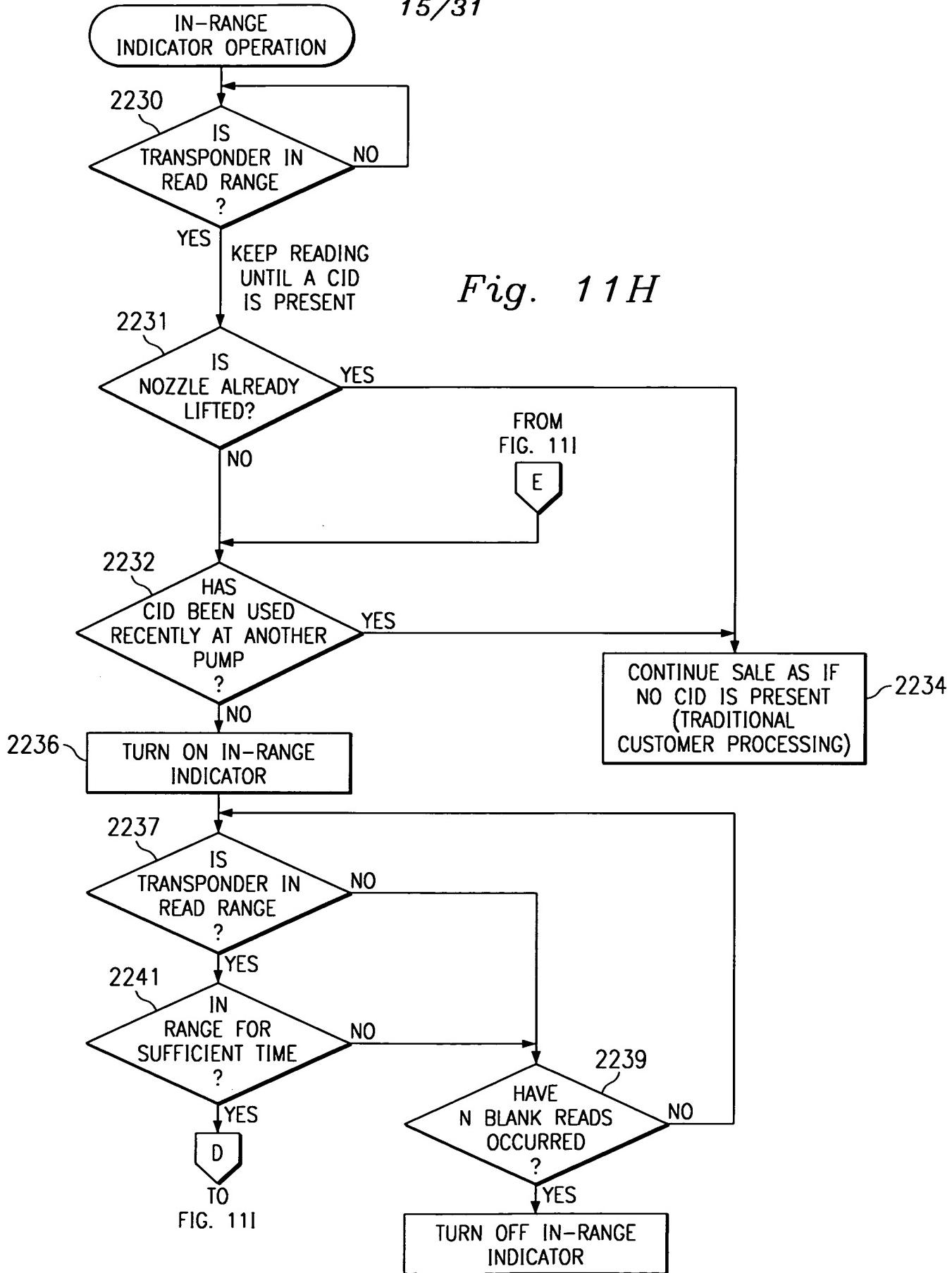
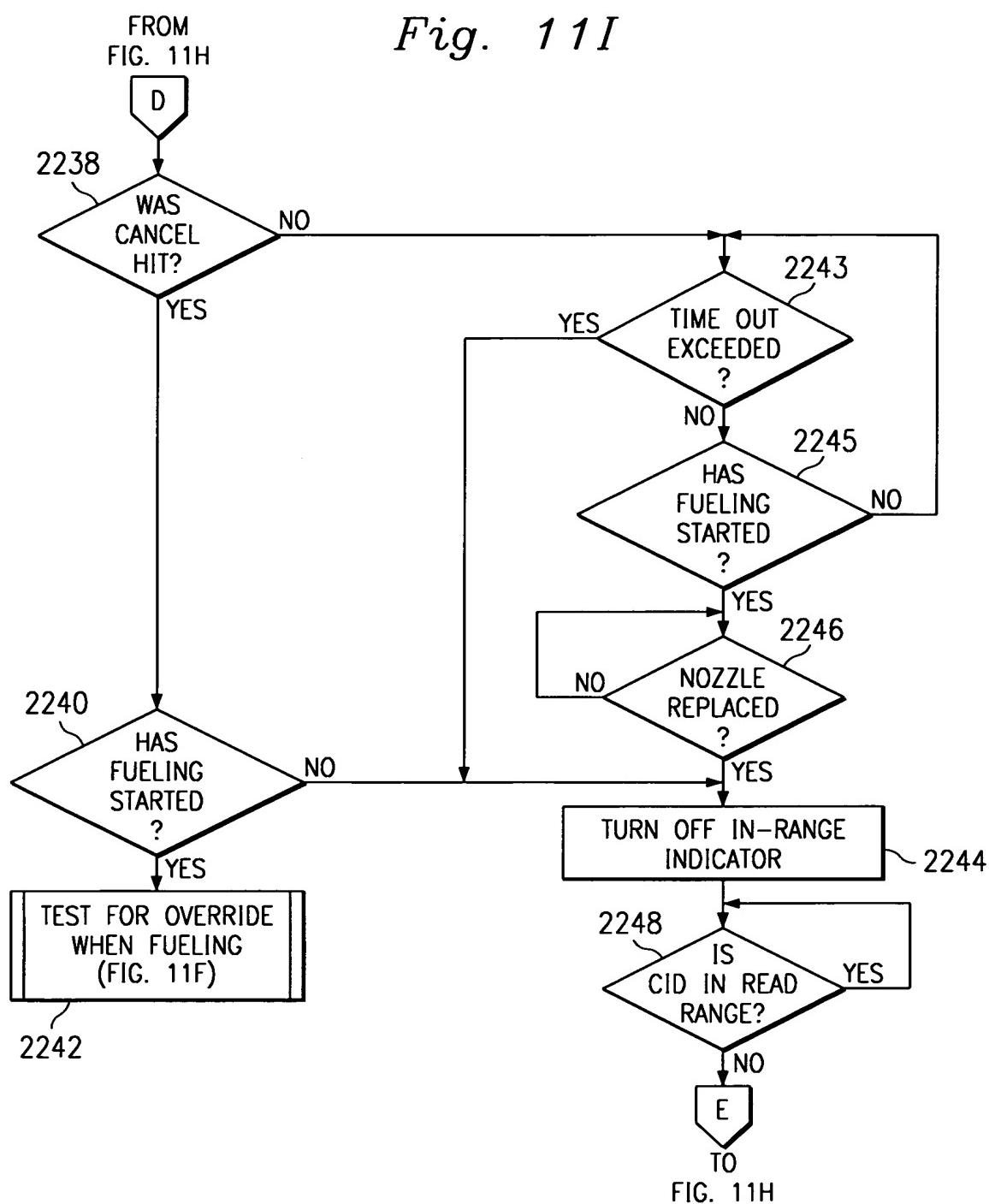
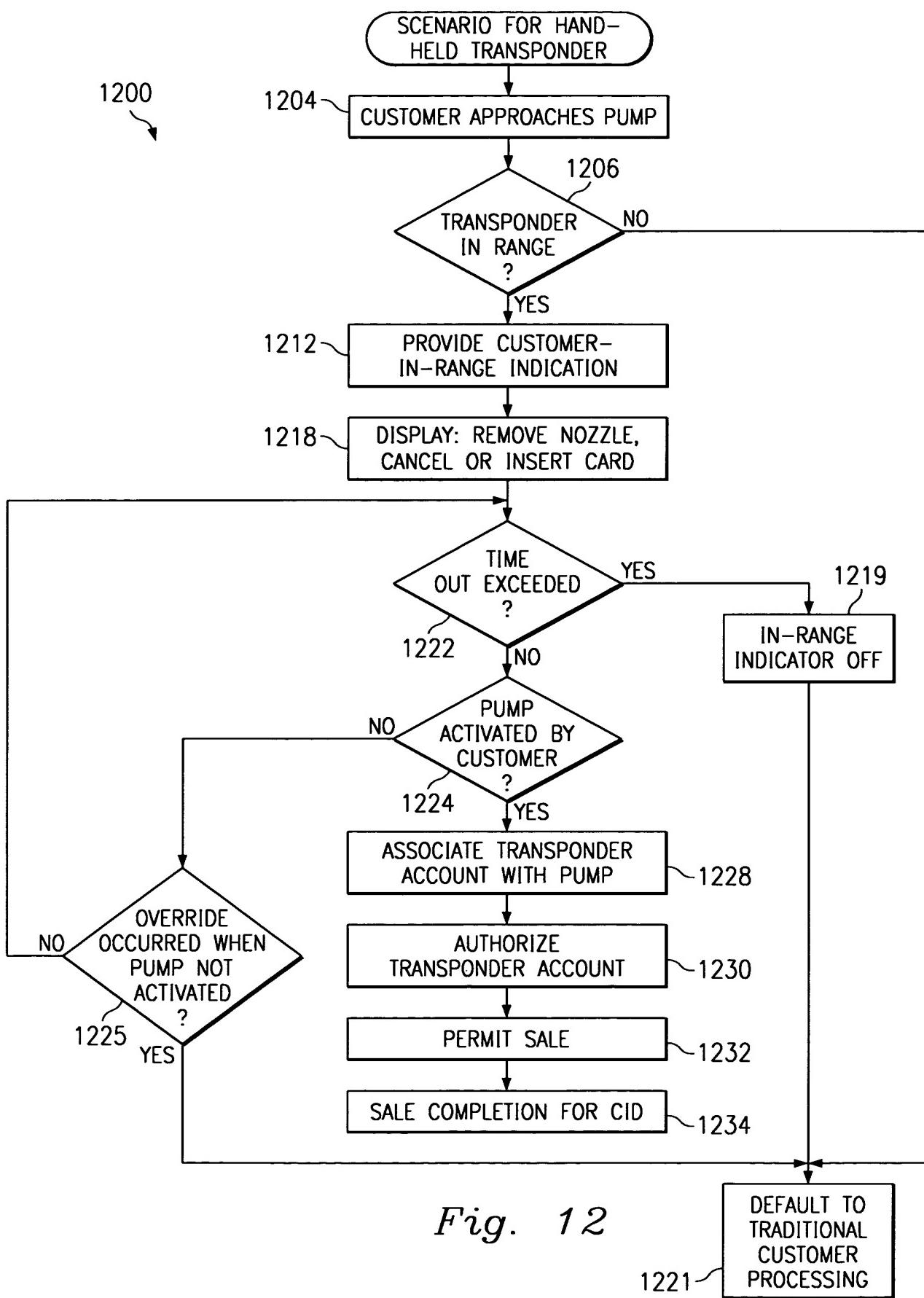


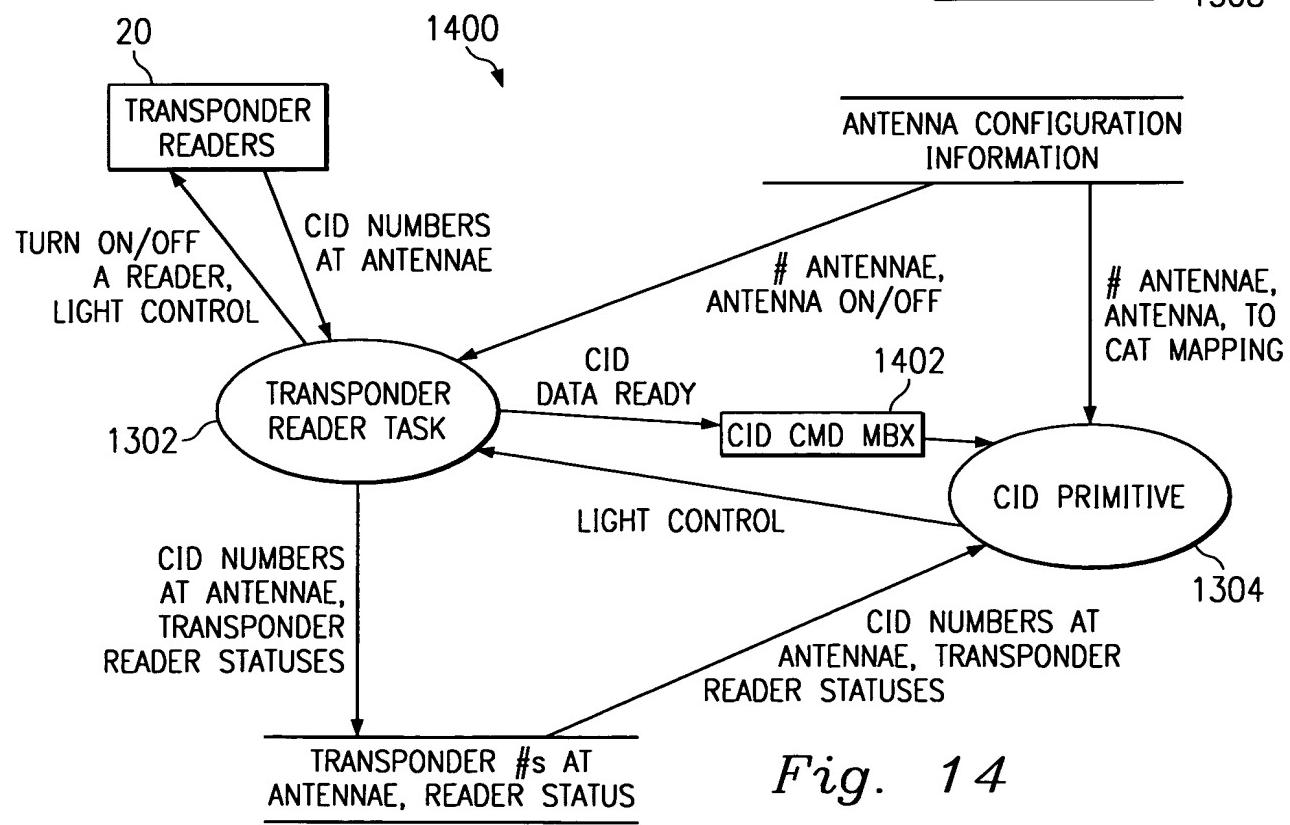
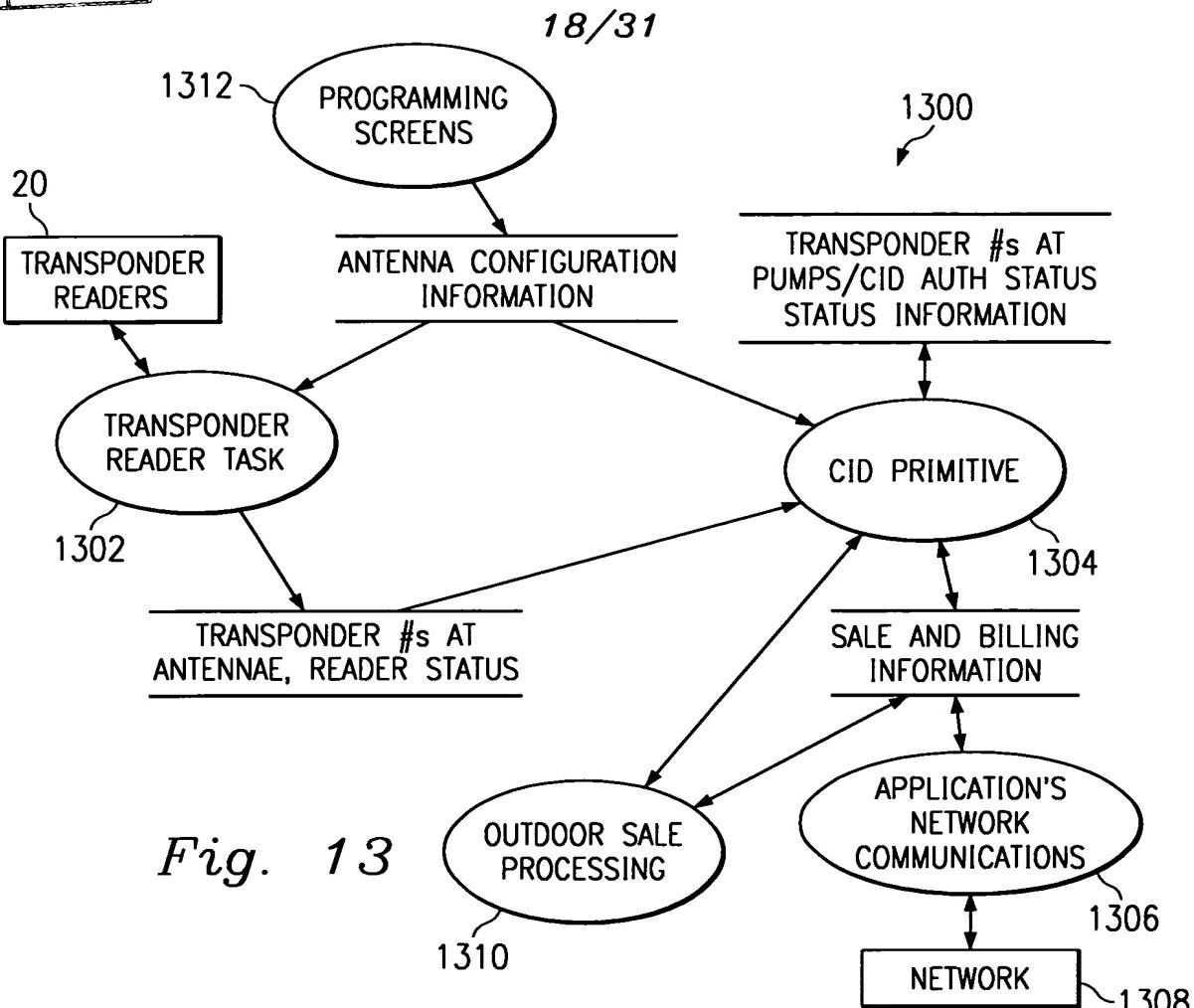
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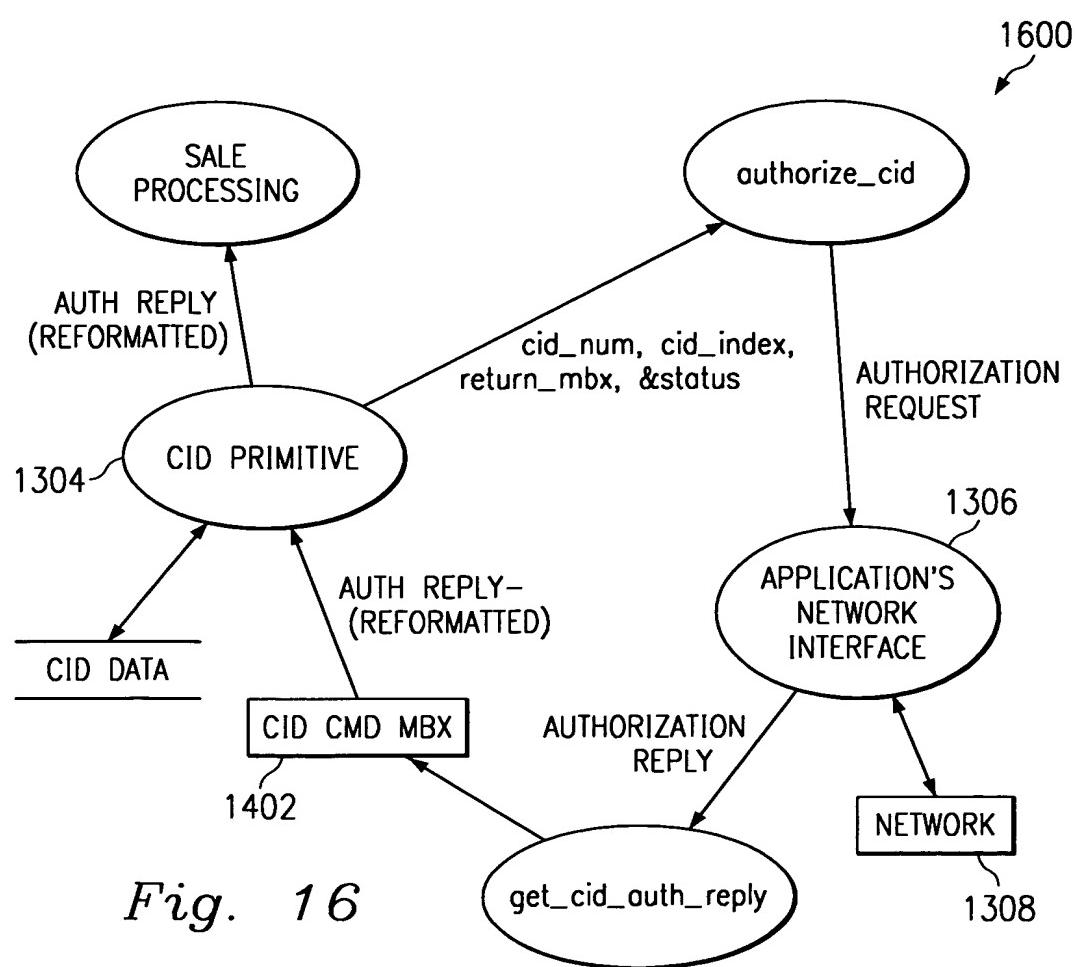
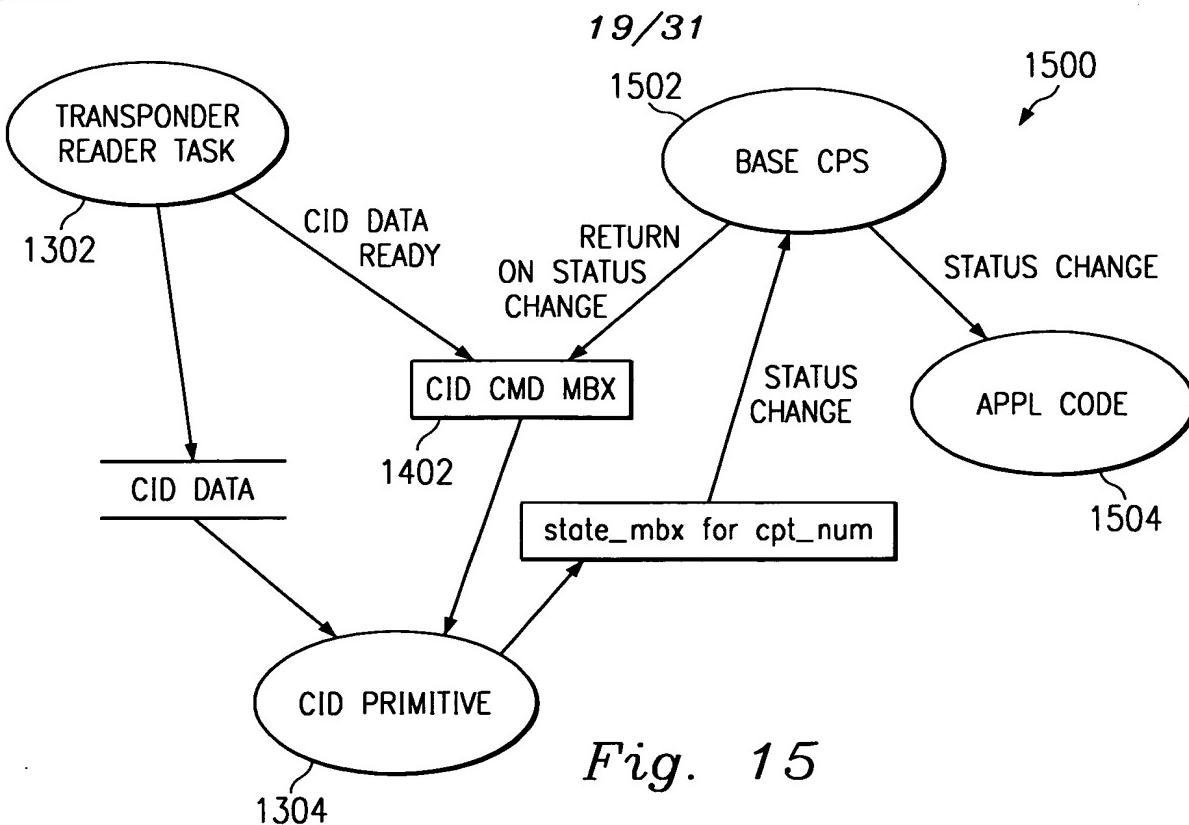


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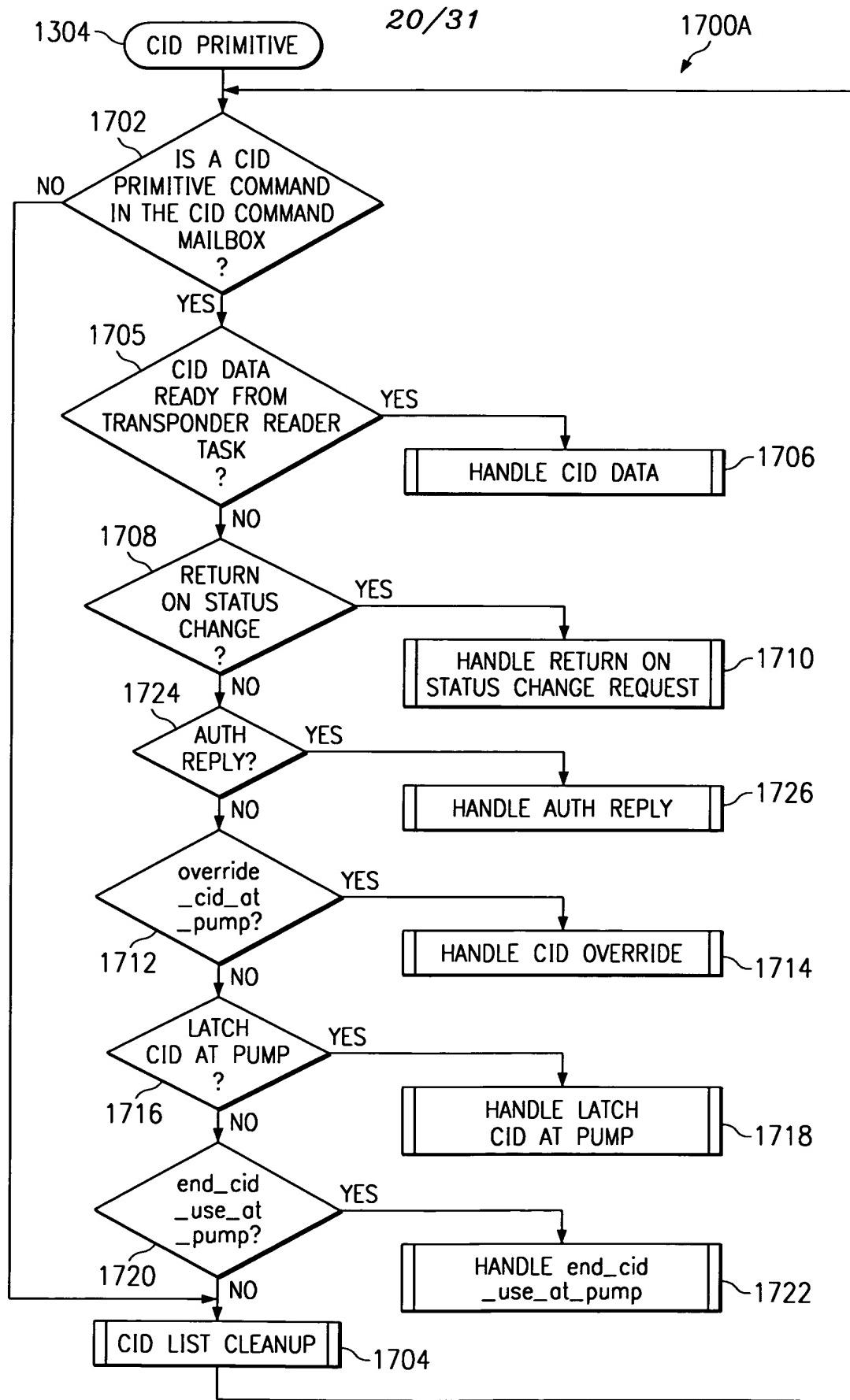


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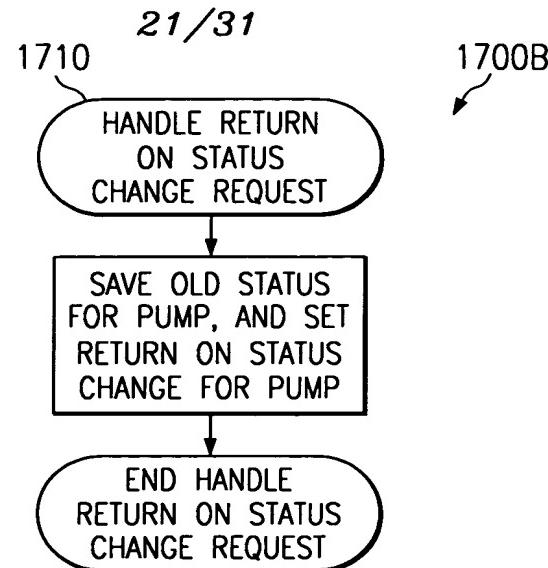


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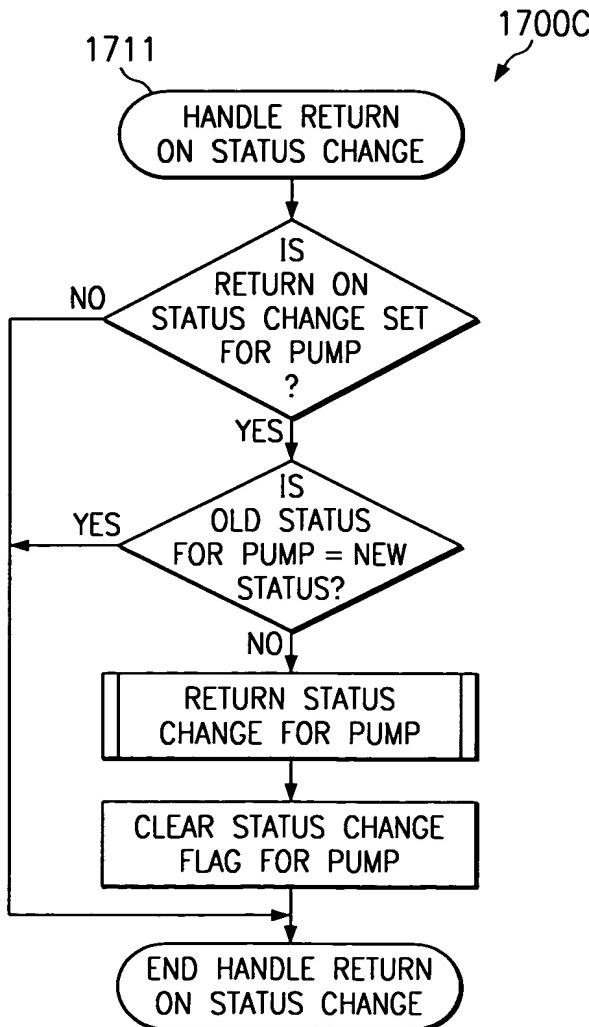
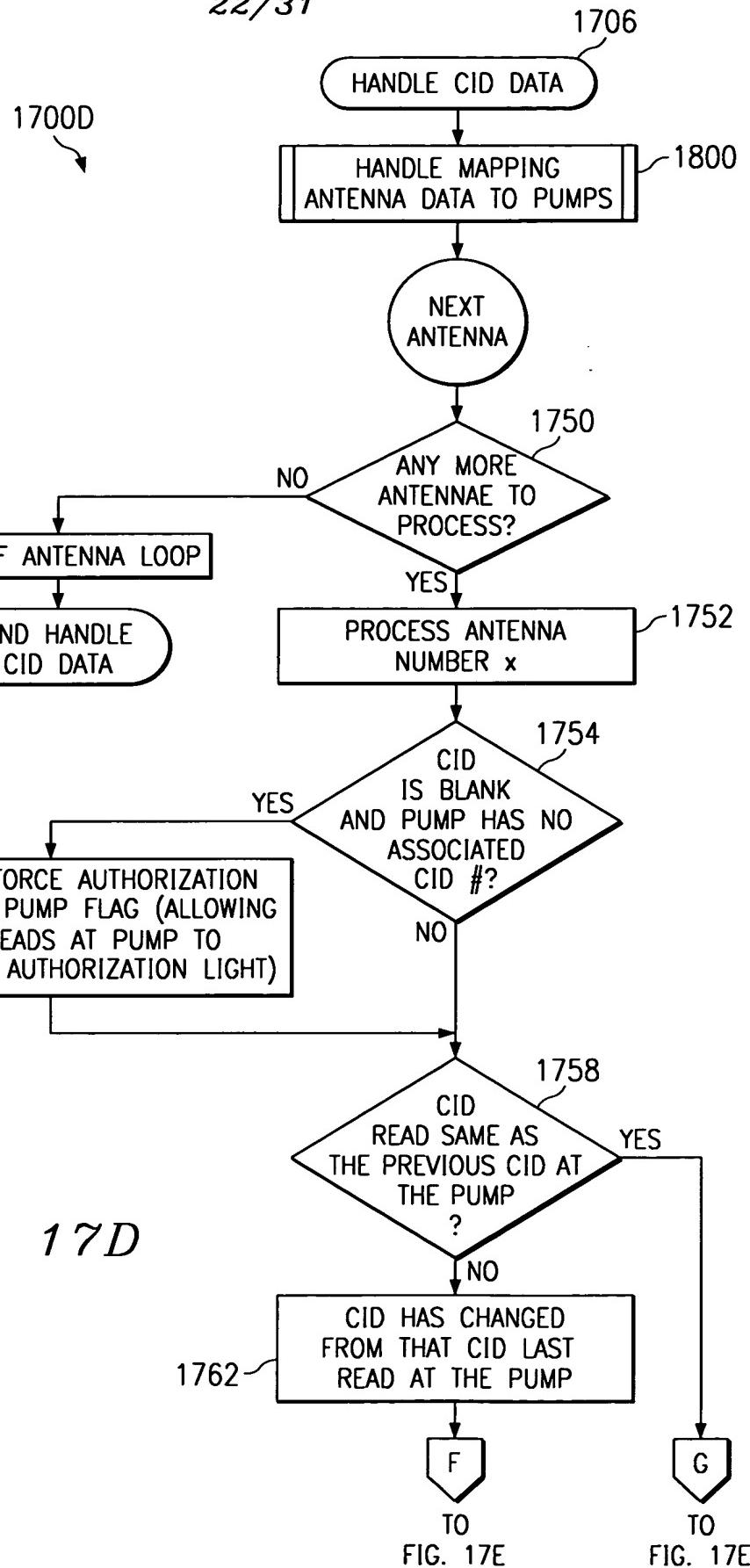


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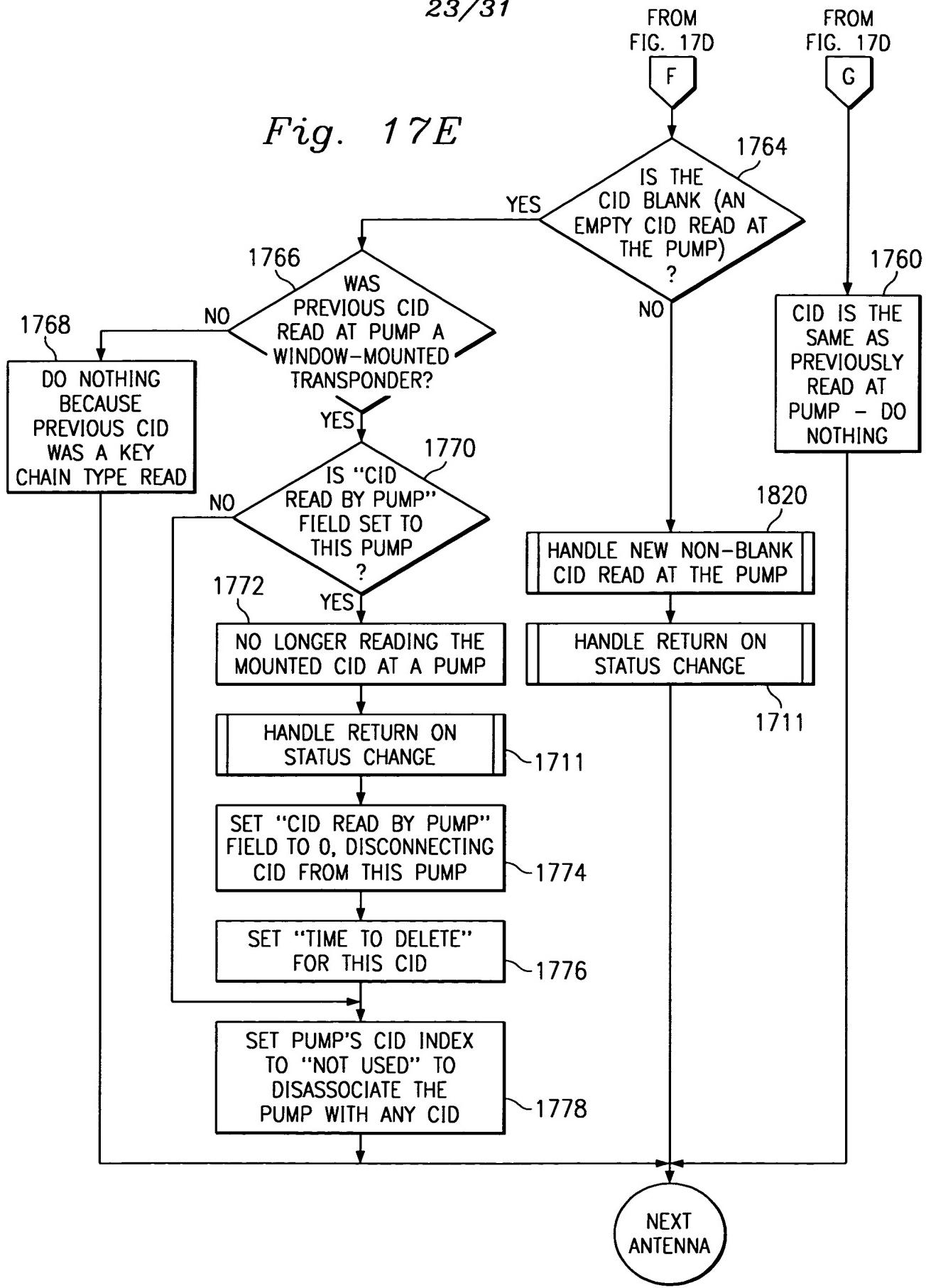
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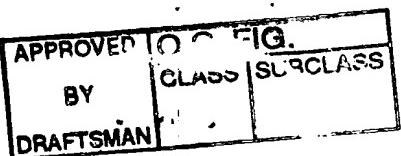
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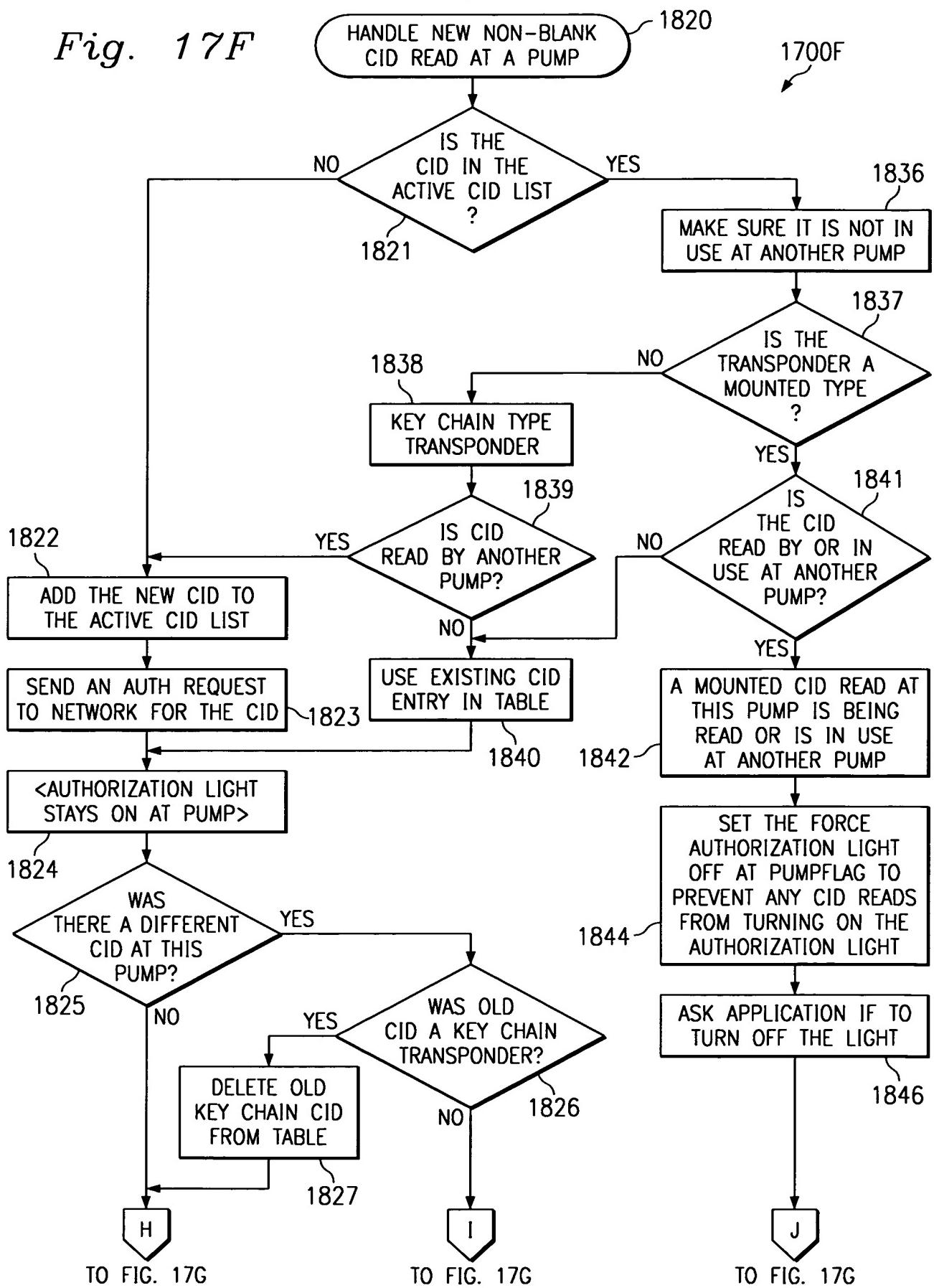
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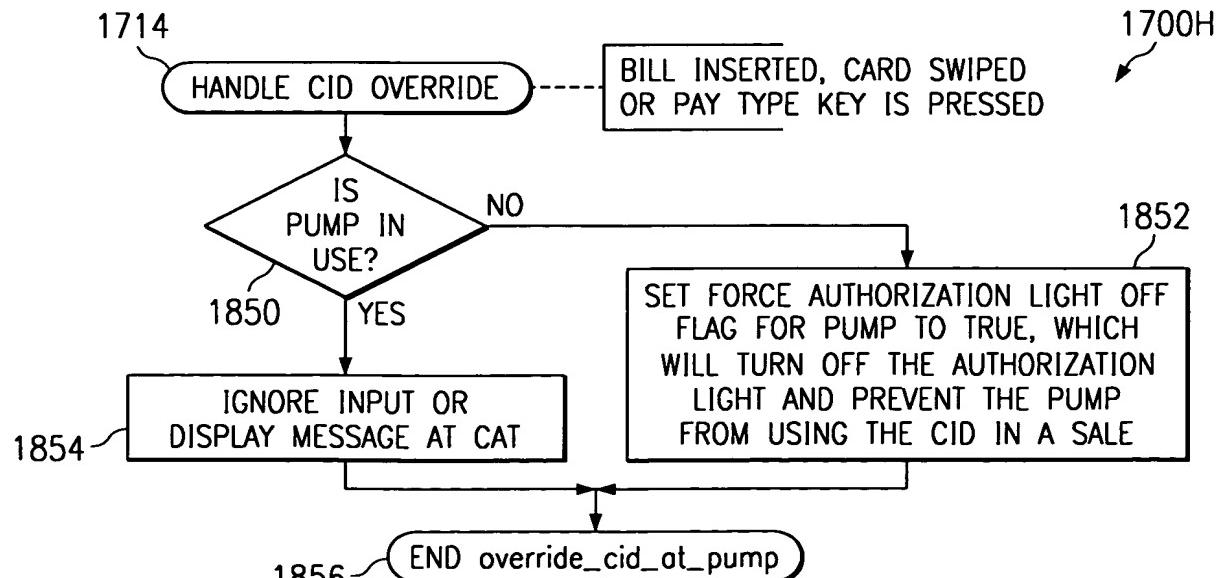
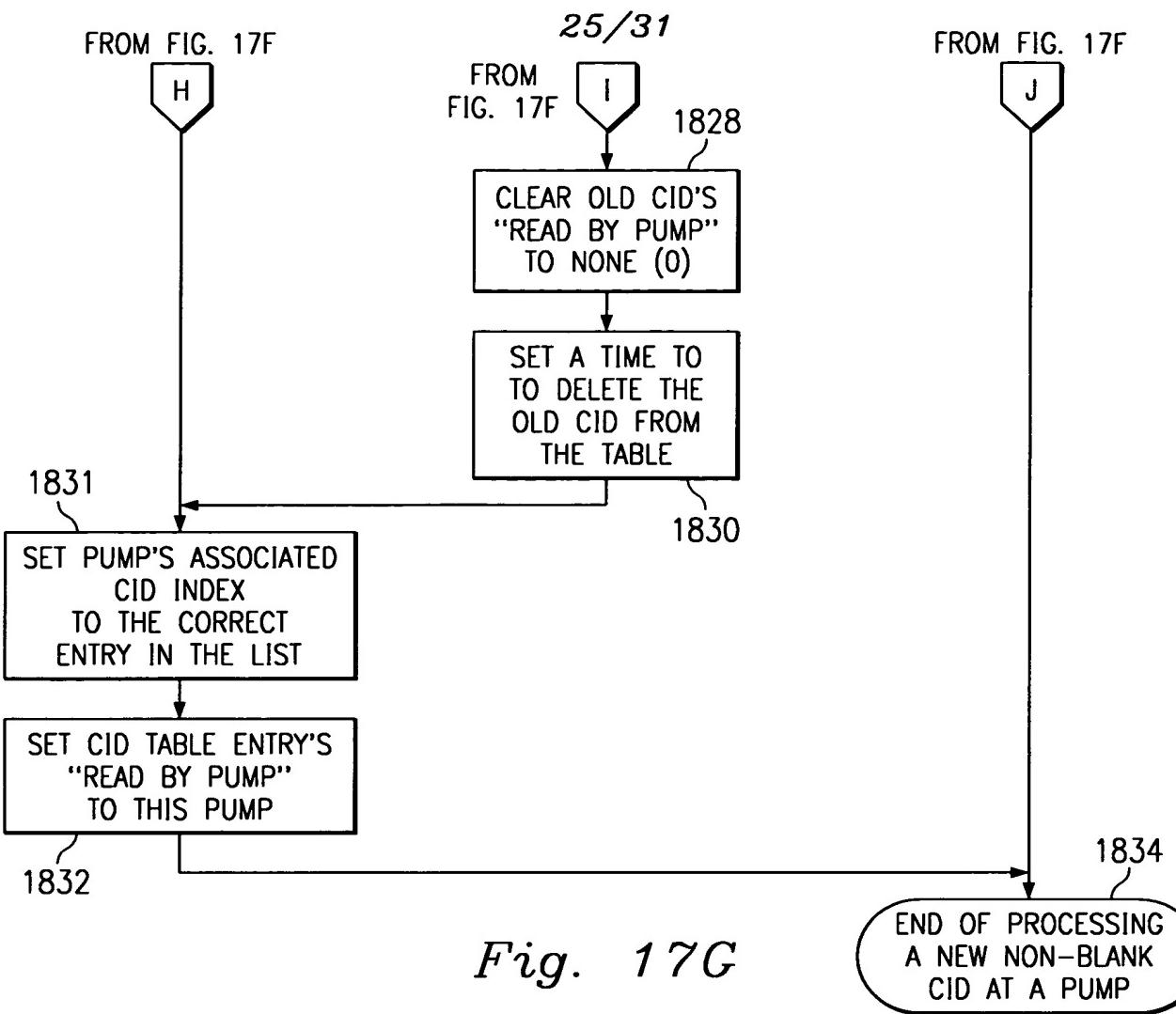
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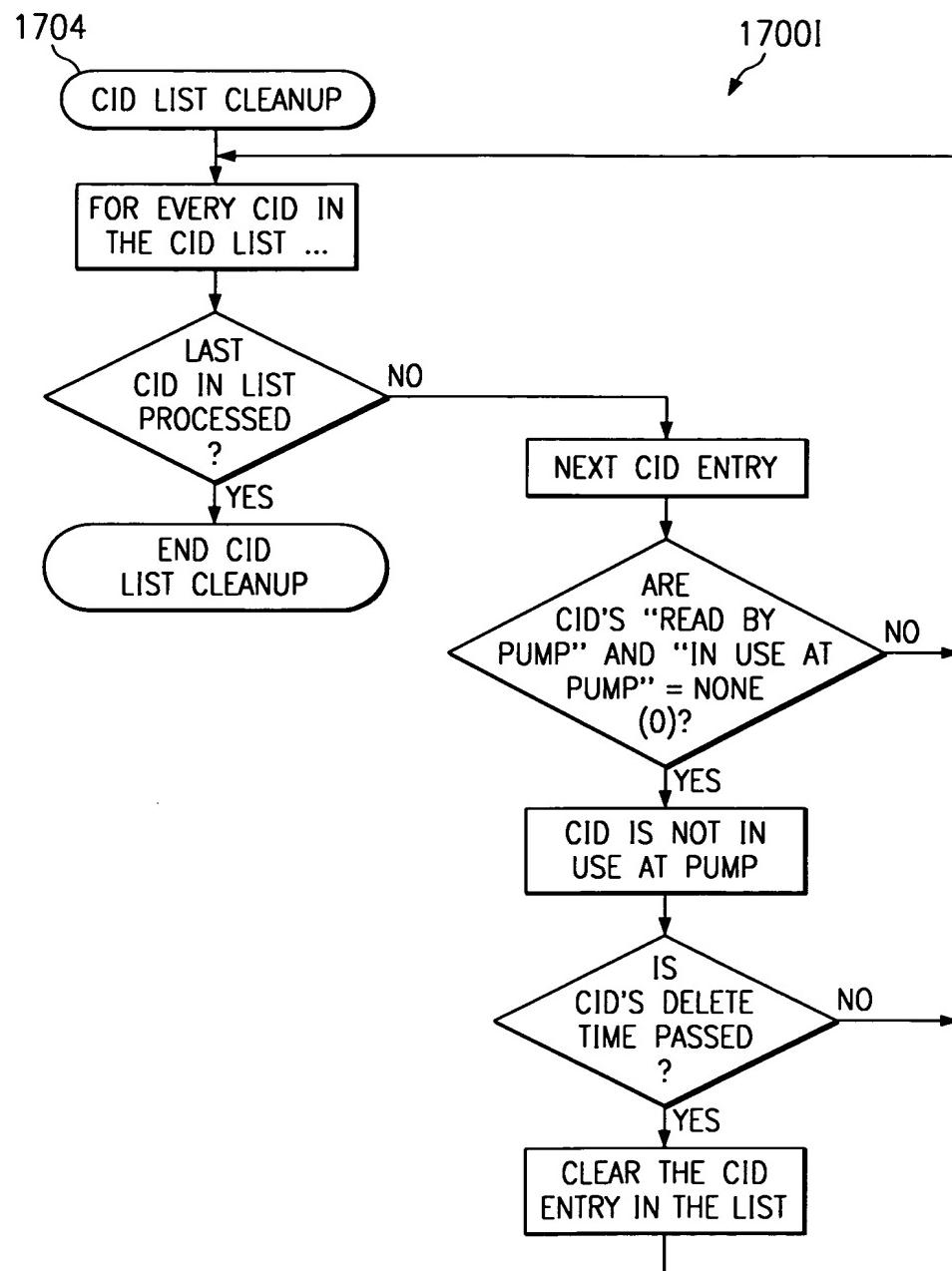


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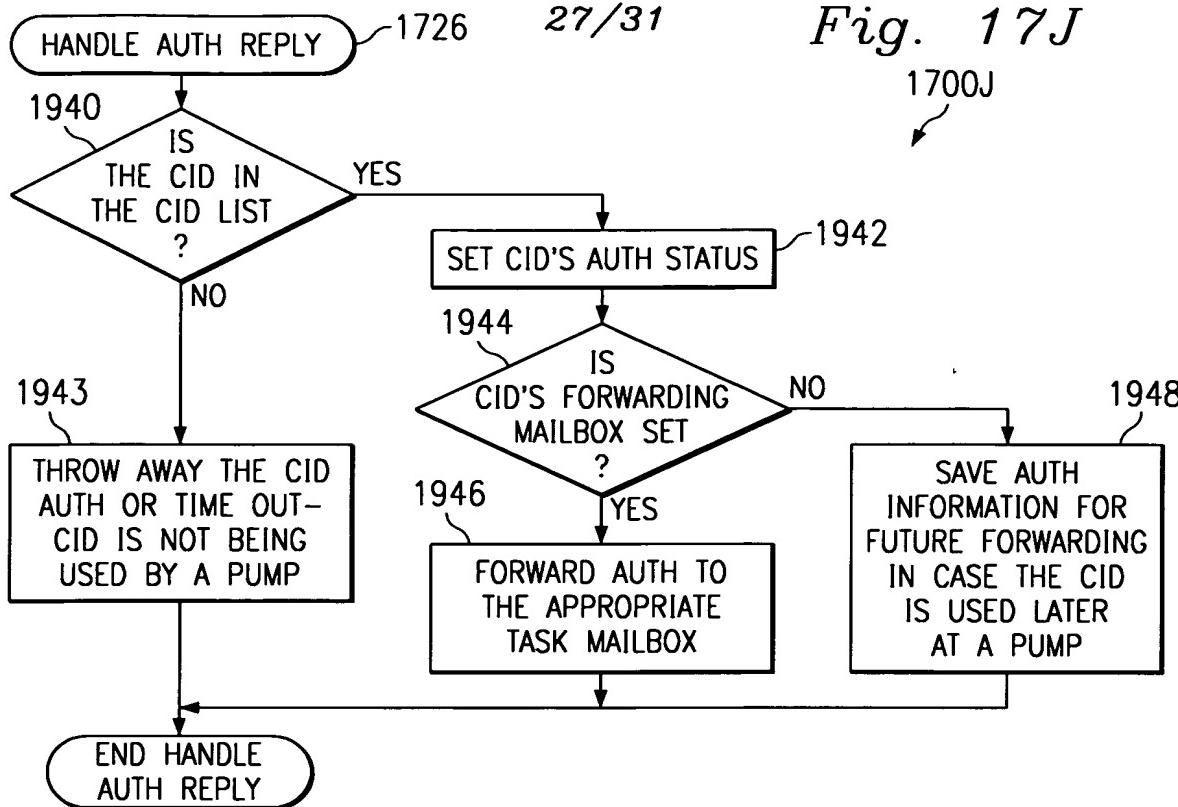
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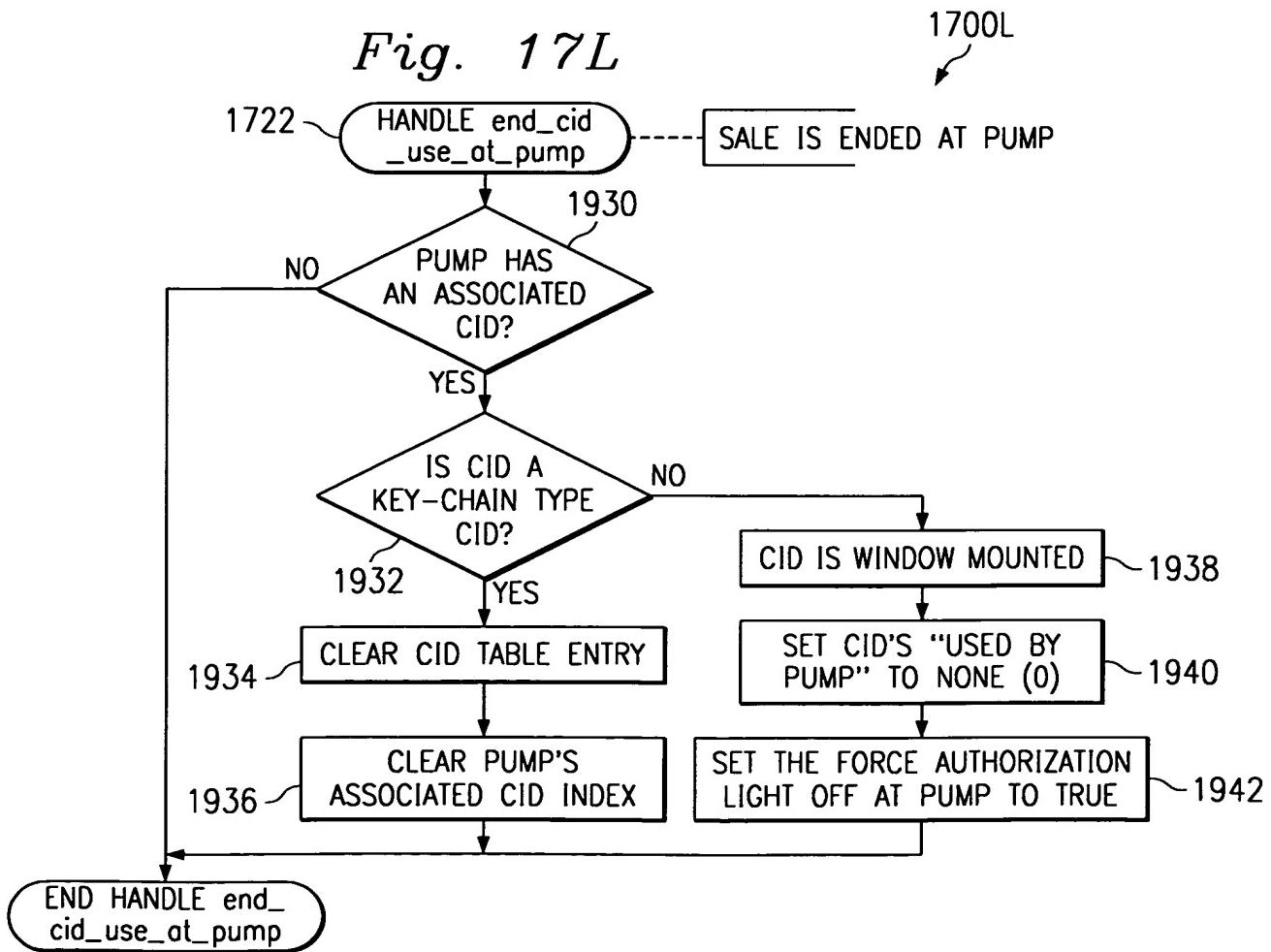


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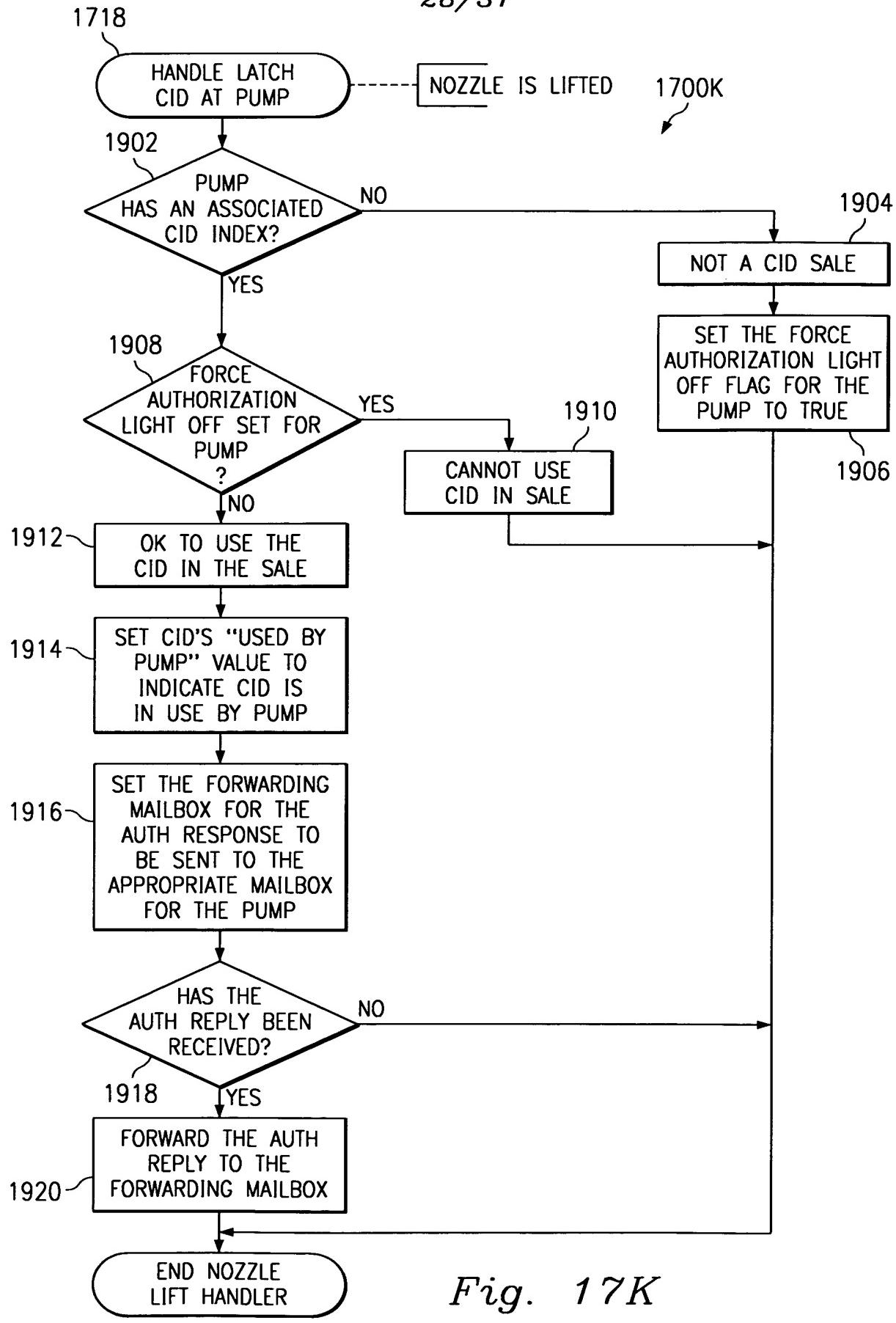


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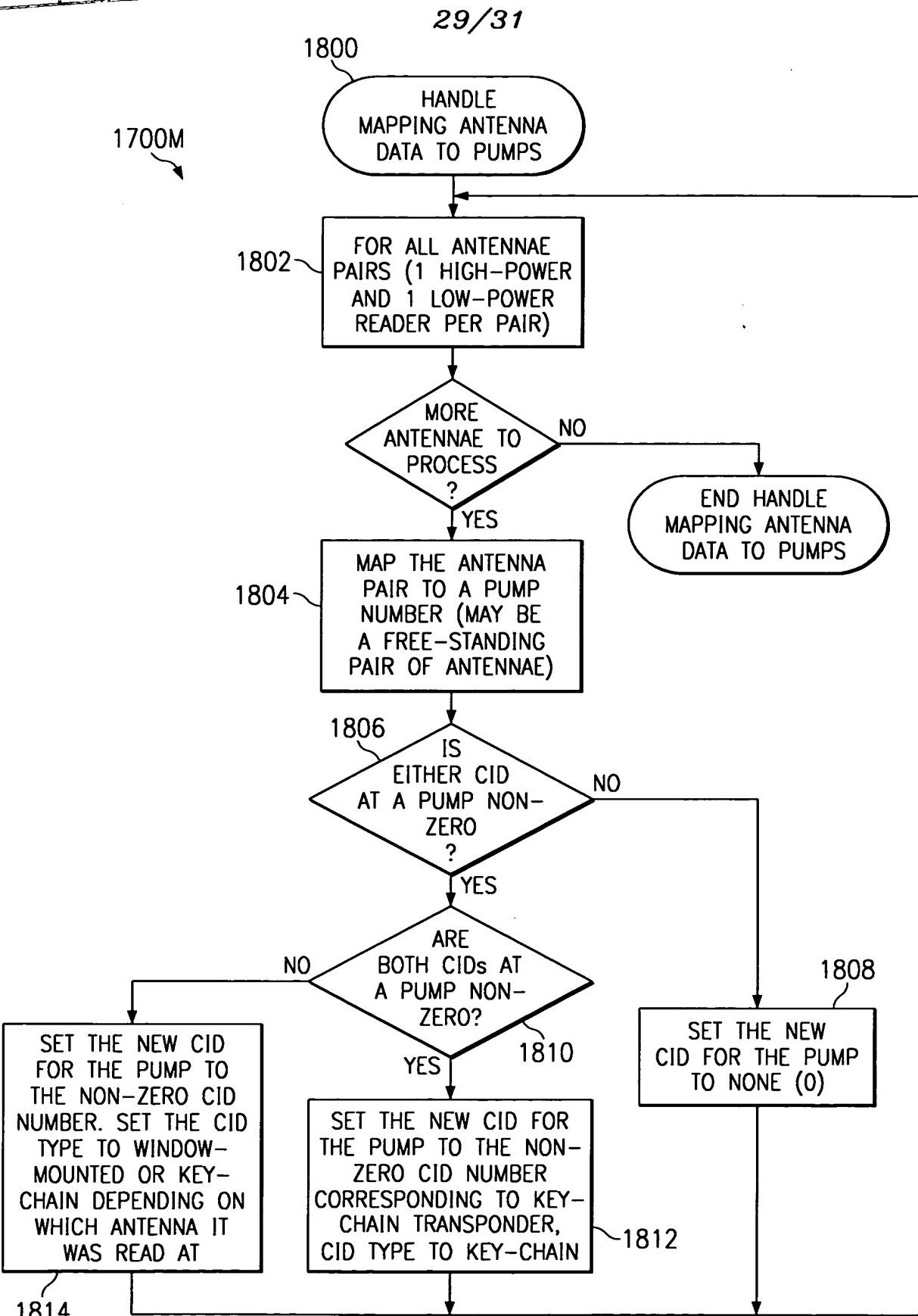
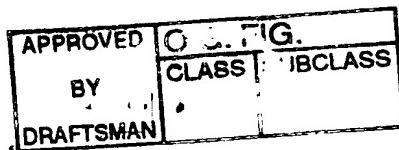
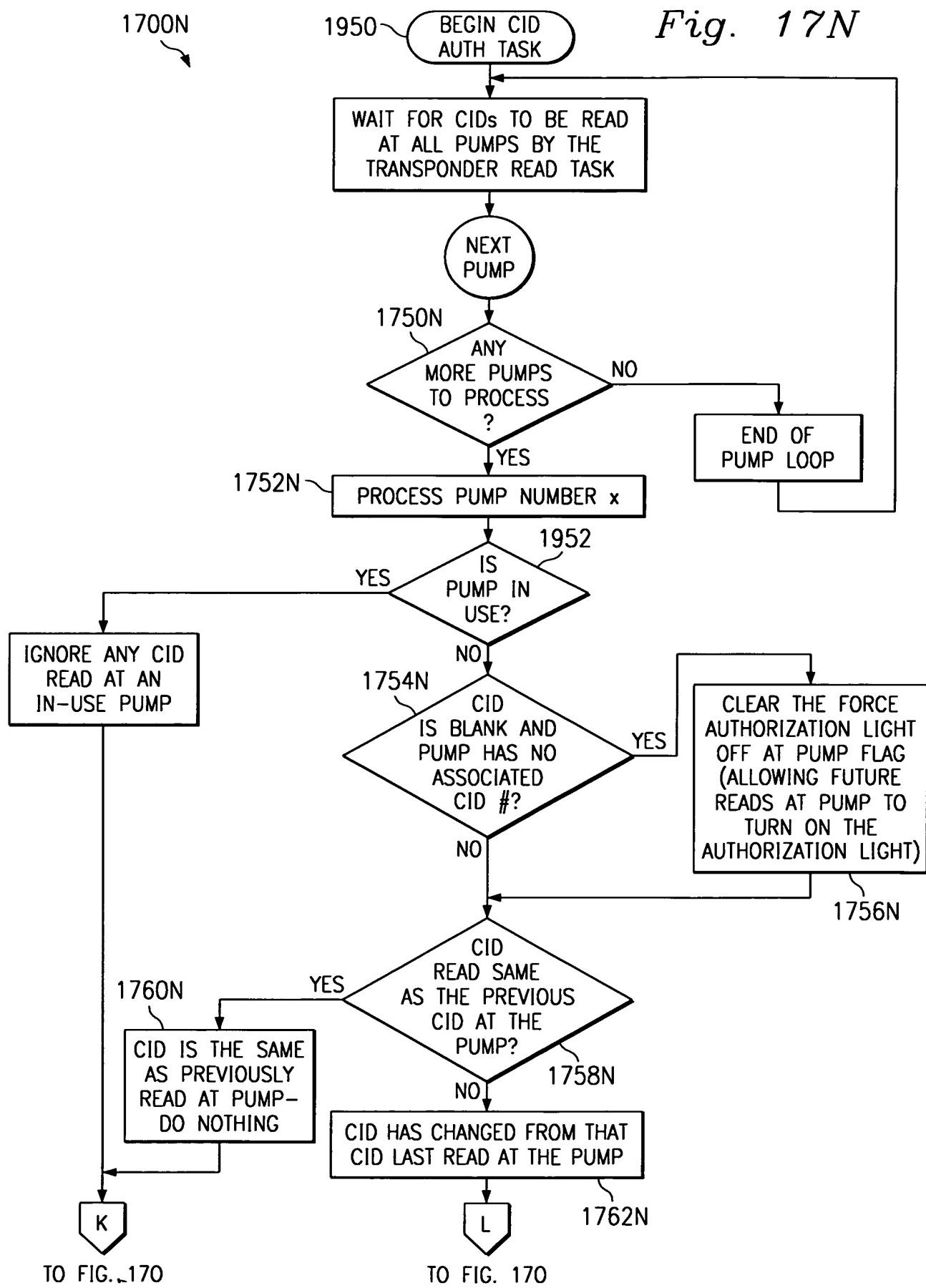


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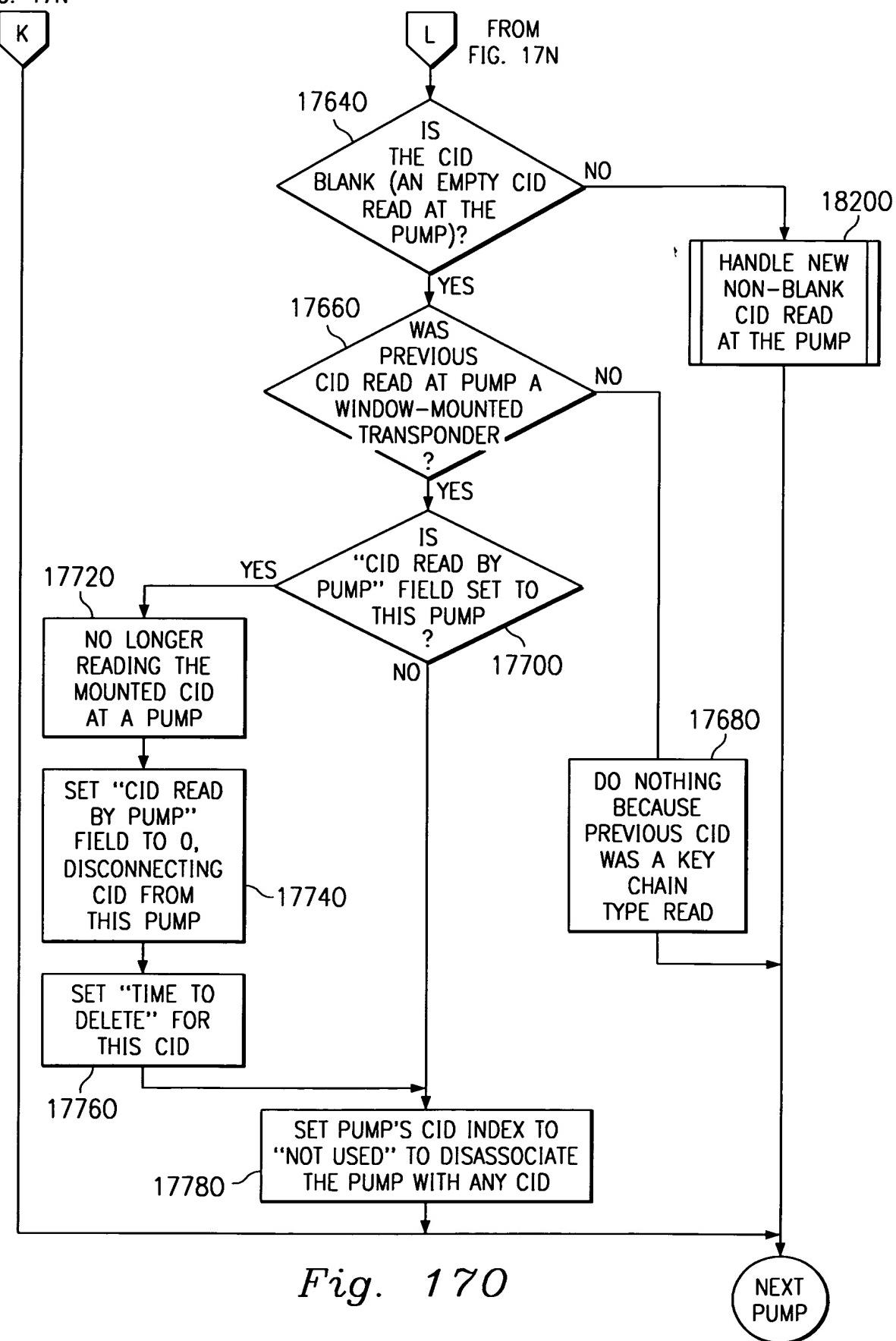


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